

Worlds Beyond, the clouds have passed away

written and published by Dr. C. C. Keith of Hastings, Nebraska

up to 1948

FOREWORD

For ages men all over the world have been experimenting with Mental Telepathy, Mind Reading and other mental phenomena, and but a short time ago our Universities took up this investigation seeking to find some who are super-sensitive to mental impressions. They were not aware of it, but what they were looking for and others had hoped to find, had been discovered a number of years ago.

During this time extensive research has been made in this new mental world. Now the results of these investigations are being prepared in book form that the people may know what has been learned. This method of conversation with those at a distance is called Mental Communication and is exactly the same as vocal communication except the mental force takes the place of sound, this enables one to speak readily with other intellects wherever they may be.

This is unbelievable to be sure but so are many other things. Much has been written for we are in contact with all the great men of the ages past as well as those on the planets. You will find this book well worth your serious consideration.

The Author [C. C. Keith]

CHAPTER I

In this book we bring our readers detailed information concerning many things, the most important of which is Mental Communication, for it brings to us all the information we will ever have from the people of the planets, and from those on the spiritual side of life. It opens the door to a new world, new conditions, new races of people, new hopes and desires, we will change our ways of thinking and see the need of further consideration.

Mental Communication is not a mysterious art confined to a few who are qualified to practice it, but on the contrary, it is an undeveloped talent peculiar to all of us, needing only effort and desire to develop it. It is simply the act of doing in an intensified way, what we habitually do each day.

Men have believed that the mind which they know practically nothing about, could not be changed, that the accumulation of knowledge was its chief function, so they made no effort to strengthen it or increase its efficiency. From the belief that this could be done came mental communication, and all that you see in this book.

For ages we have been living in a world of darkness and men believed they would never be able to pierce the thick veil that hides from mortal eyes the mysteries of nature, so they turned their attention to the things about them. In one way it is well to do so, for to know of all physical things, how they came to be as they are, who made them and for what purpose, is to be truly wise. But of far greater importance is the mystery of mind and intellect and the great mental

world we conceive of as the spiritual side of life. This is the home of intellect when it has finished its apprenticeship on earth. In the past all this information has been denied us, we could but gaze into the darkness and wonder what lay beyond. But the clouds have passed away, we can see clearly the great plan of the Creator and know of all those who do his will.

It is the destiny of mental man that he should forever wander in the search for wisdom seeking to know of all things. The physical life is but a moment of time in his existence. Mind and intellect is in reality all there is of him that is of real importance, but to develop that mind he must live out his early existence on a planet as a physical man.

He first appeared as such in the early ages of the world when all the land suitable for life was at or near the poles. This was a tropical country and vegetation of many kinds appeared in abundance. Later the conditions of the land became such that many races of people appeared and spread to all parts of the planet. What those of these early races tell us is most interesting and instructive as well.

Later than this came many races we know something about, such as the civilizations of ancient Egypt, India, China, and later Greece and Rome. The beginning of each of these races was very much the same, and was marked by the unselfish desires of a few men who led the people aright, and also the efforts of the people to live their lives as they should.

These great nations were founded upon the mental conceptions of men, their ideals, their beliefs, their understanding of the works of nature and what the Creator intended they should be and do. Their desires and anticipations led them on and in time there came into being many great nations or races of people. Their knowledge and learning in many instances was far greater than our own. What they left behind them from the great pyramids to the temples and cathedrals of the different races give silent testimony to their wisdom and learning, and of the culture and refinement of races that are now but a memory.

All these races came to be so because they builded upon right and justice and could see in the works of nature a plan and a guide to follow. Many of them were well on the way and could have existed even to this day, had not wrong and error and the selfishness of man crept in and in time undid all the others had done.

When a race or a nation comes to believe it is nearing the summit, their efforts wane, their ideals are replaced by something more alluring, and those with selfish aims and intentions assume leadership and the downfall and decay of a great nation begins. This is the destiny of all races who come to see their greatness in the physical things that dominate their lives.

We must also reflect upon our own race. We have reached that period of complacency. We are endeavoring to build a great nation upon the physical resources of our land, and not upon the mental ideals which those who started us aright believed we would always remember and consider as being necessary for the foundation of a great civilization.

So my brothers, follow on now that it is possible to learn the truth, perhaps you will find a solution of your problems whatever they may be. Before we enter into extended consideration of the many things you will desire to know, I will briefly refer to certain outstanding fundamentals you will meet with, that you may more readily recognize them when they are referred to later.

First, anything to endure must be founded upon facts. These do not change but are always the same. Hence what you see in this book that was dictated by those from above is true, for it is founded upon laws and conditions made by nature. If in doubt the effort to prove that it is not true will convince you that it is.

As to what the author writes, this statement may not apply entirely. What he writes is made up of the associations and writings of many noted men who have taken part in preparing the volumes and writings of which he speaks. Some may demand proof of what is written. If so they do not stop to consider that there is no proof to be found anywhere except in the minds of men.

All this is entirely new, it is in a field of research never considered or even thought of before. So necessarily you will have to rely upon your good judgment, upon what you know of the laws of nature, and upon your ability to reason from cause to effect. What I write is of my own choosing yet it is influenced by mental impression, it bears the stamp of authority and approval of someone who knows. So if there is no sense of error present I am convinced it is true.

Second, it is now possible for the people of earth to converse, as we speak with each other, with the people of the planets and those who lived on the planets millions of years ago. This method of communication was discovered by one who believed that man should be able to control the activities of the mind, to enlarge and expand its forces and scope of action, thus enabling it to come into association with intellect of a superior nature. Out of this came a perfect system of communication between intellects throughout the universe. This brings to us the sense of duty and obligation. To all who are unselfish and desire to give of their time and talent that the teeming millions of earth may lift themselves out of their degradation and despair, there is a noble cause in which to labor, and the thanks and gratitude of all who came to see the light.

Third, one of the most important and far reaching realizations to come to the people, will be the fact that they have discovered a new world, one they believed was forever hidden from them. This world is made up of the minds and thoughts of the millions who have passed on from the planets. To be sure millions are not there, they were so low in mentality that they could not realize where they were, or what they should do, so they did nothing and soon passed away.

But for those who have the mental strength to view it, there is everything the mind of man can conceive of, all as real as our own world. The realization that this is true and that they can now speak with those there, should change the ways of the whole world. Our civilization should go forward by leaps and bounds and we should lay aside that which has no lasting value and build upon the rocks of truth.

Fourth, it is well to remember that there are millions of planets throughout the firmament which are inhabited by races of people similar to our own. The form and figure vary to meet climatic conditions, customs, and habits are somewhat different, but the intellect is the same everywhere, varying only in degree. Many of these are far superior to us in knowledge and learning and all that go to build up a race.

All these races of people with their mental and physical peculiarities were conceived of and came into being as the result of the will and desire of those on the higher spiritual planes, those who at one time dwelt on the planets and could understand what was needed for the welfare of a race. They are now to us like those of our own planet, to them we can go and learn of the things that are new and strange to us, of their beliefs, ideals, and their mental habits. On some planets there are races of people similar to the others, but who are all intellect never having lived in the physical. They can tell us much that is interesting and of real value.

Fifth, perhaps the most important realization that will come to us is, that we now have a definite understanding of mind and intellect. We know what they are, how they function, and how supremely important they are to man. We know how to control the mind and cause it to reach out to all parts of the universe, to recognize and associate with intellects wherever they may be.

The most outstanding feature of this is the fact that the mind is not a part of the physical body as is believed by most men, but an independent entity attached to man and directing his activities during his physical life. It begins with a single cell as does the physical body, and is supposed to gather strength, efficiency, understanding and desires that will carry it on into a mental world, there to continue its mental development, there to build it a home, and take its place with all those who are endeavoring to do the will of the great Creator.

Sixth, another topic of concern is the attitude men assume when considering their fellowmen.

Throughout a large part of the world man is thought of as being but a physical creature rounding out its life in a physical world as the animals do. And in many places and among many people, the ill favored ones are spoken of and treated as animals.

There is a reason for this being as it is. Men and races of men have believed in and been governed by, creeds and cults, beliefs and superstitions. This condition has caused millions to do naught but believe and await their promised deliverance.

Because of lack of interest of their fellowmen they live in the physical as the animals do, and do not realize there is anything else for them. A very large part of these will never see the glories of a new world. The people everywhere should now realize that the mental man is entitled to first consideration. They should feel that they are duty bound to do all they can for those who need it.

Seventh, perhaps the greatest retarding influence we meet as men and as a nation, is our failure to recognize and abide by, the great forces of right and wrong that build up and tear down the efforts of men. We spend a lifetime in building that which is swept away in a moment of time when we yield to the alluring promises of evil, when we relax the determination to always do what we well know we should. We fail to see that all our acts are influenced by the attitude we assume toward those two opposites. Upon them men build their character and their reputation.

A better understanding of this is to be found in the study of the cardinal virtues. They are the foundation of morals and ethics, and in them is to be found all that is needed for a just and upright life, as well as what is needed to carry a race on to fame and good fortune. It is most evident that morals and ethics have a place in the minds of all men, and should be taught as a science in our schools, and in our churches, and be remembered in all our transactions with others.

Eighth, your attention is called to the substance of this book and the manner in which it is presented. We are considering social and economic conditions. There are two sides to these, the right and the wrong or the good and the bad. We are here concerned with but one, with evil, error and wrong.

Good and right are natural and normal conditions and because they are we pay no attention to them. Nor could we in this book attempt to enumerate the kind, noble and generous acts of the people. These are the things that build up our civilization, and the laxities of men counteract these and destroy our efforts.

So we are here concerned exclusively with wrong, error, injustice and the selfishness that prevails everywhere. Some, in their affluence and complacency will take offense, and doubt what is said of prevailing conditions, but they are simply uninformed. What you read in this book of the depressing and demoralizing conditions is very modest indeed, the conditions are unbelievable.

It is the mission of those above to do what they can to cause the people to see what is needed to build up their civilization and discover an advanced manner of living. Even though we may not be able to understand, we cannot well question the sincerity and wisdom of those above us.

CHAPTER II

In this book we are concerned with the things we have always believed were beyond us, things that we would never know of until we passed to the other side, also many other things that were never thought of by the people or were considered beyond their comprehension.

One reason for preparing this volume is that our readers may know that these things exist, and that they may see the need of knowing more about them, and are encouraged to investigate further. We can do no more here than explain them briefly, yet that will be sufficient for our

needs. Mental communication will be explained in detail later, it is the desire of all those now interested that the people come to realize that this is something that they have overlooked, that through it they can discover all things for themselves. But first we will refer to the physical world this is something you know much about, and then to the mental universe, it is far more important and will hold our attention longer.

The physical universe as it exists today, consists of a great central sun, and further out the nine suns of the second magnitude, and beyond them all the other suns that appear in the sky as stars. Around each of these suns revolve its planets, but they give off no light of their own so they are not visible to us unless seen in the reflected light of some sun.

A large number of these planets are inhabited and it will be a never ending pastime and pleasure as well as a matter of importance to our people, when they finally learn how they may come in touch with the people who live there. They will learn from them the conditions of their land, the vegetable kingdom, the animal creation, and of the people, what they are like, how they live and what they do, and most important what they believe. We shall learn of their civilization, their aims, ambitions and ideals.

All these things will materially assist us in the consideration of our own civilization, for it is most certain that many races are by far our superiors in learning and knowledge, and in all the things that contribute to the welfare of a race. We will learn of the mistakes of men in their efforts to find peace and plenty, and to satisfy the human aspirations.

The people of the planets wherever they may be are very much the same as we are in their physical makeup, and are naturally much alike in their physical activities. But their intellectual attainments are very much different, for all this is the result of personal effort, but as intellect is universal throughout space, we can commune with them as readily as we can with those of our own planet.

By reason of our contact and association with those who were instrumental in bringing into being the planets, and who could observe their formation as well as all the living things that appeared upon them, we now have a correct understanding of the creation of worlds and everything in or on them. We can also conceive of the deteriorating forces of nature and the cycle through which all things pass from their beginning to their end. We will realize that our own creation with all the celestial bodies is part way through its cycle of existence, and like the two former creations, is destined to disappear entirely, and after a long period of darkness appear again with a new vegetation, a new animal life, and with perhaps an advanced race of people.

What you learn in these volumes and writings concerning this will be seemingly complete, but in reality it is very small in comparison with what is before you. Our investigators and scientists should take up the work and give us an authentic history of the celestial creation. This great physical universe is so vast that it is beyond our powers of comprehension. But in reality it is very small in comparison with the mental universe that is beyond and above all physical things.

For ages the inhabitants of the planets have been passing on to this great mental universe, for it is made up of the thoughts and minds of men. Their wisdom is very great for they know of and are doing the will of the great Creator. They are the ones who conceived of all physical things upon the planets and it is their will that preserves them and causes them to continue to exist as they are.

All these were at one time like the people of our planet, but many of them were much wiser and could understand what they were supposed to do for themselves and for others. These are the ones who for ages have endeavored to force upon the minds of the people of the planets what they should do to prepare for their entrance into a world where all is mentality.

All the things those of the higher planes conceived of and very much more came to pass. They are now able to show us that our conceptions of the hereafter were faulty in the extreme, they

believed we should know the real facts for the need is urgent and great. Millions pass on to the other side with the belief that there is nothing for them to do but await their deliverance. From these millions go down in mental darkness all because of a false belief.

Those above remind us that when we pass on to the mental side we are at first as helpless as when we came into the physical world, and that those there have the responsibility thrust upon them of caring for us until we are able to care for ourselves. We are supposed to have developed our mental faculties while on earth to a degree that would enable us to understand what we see and what is needed when we begin our spiritual life on the other side, for we are to continue there in our advancement.

But this is not as was intended. The allurements of the physical has caused us to forget the things above us, and to wander away from those who would help and assist us in the real work that they intended us to do. So it is that a large part of those who pass over will never see the glories of another world, for they are so devoid of intellect of a purely mental nature, so utterly unable to visualize anything they cannot see, that they cannot recognize their needs, or comprehend what they should do to help themselves. All these are waiting, and millions linger on the lower planes needing constant care and attention. So it is plain to see why it is that those on the other side have a very great interest in those of earth, and why they desire the people to recognize the need of doing something before they pass on.

There is a reason for this condition. We of earth are taught to believe that death is the extinction of man as we know him, that all the associations, beliefs, and remembrances of physical life will be swept away, and that he will take on a new form, a new life, and will become a spirit in a spirit land. Therefore there is no particular reason why he should seek to do more than satisfy the physical wants and await the time when he shall be wafted on high to a place already prepared for him. Vain hope, blighted allusion. All this is but the hope and dream of those who can see no further than their physical surroundings.

The great mass of the people have not learned to separate the mental from the physical, to think of them as two different states of being. Nor do they realize that man was placed on earth for the one purpose of developing the mind from its infancy to a condition of strength and efficiency that will allow it to assume its place when the physical things are gone and it passes on to the mental world.

This great mental world will be to those who have the strength of mind to view it, as real as the physical world was to them while living there. We will find conditions very similar to what they are here, for they are made by the people themselves, they take with them their habits and beliefs and at first they live with these, but soon they proceed to change their beliefs for something better.

There are some things however that are entirely different due to changed environment. One of these is, that when you leave the earth you will never again hear a sound, force will take the place of sound but it will not be the same. You will also miss the physical expression of pleasure, mirth and amusement. We seem to immediately take on a serious demeanor, what we have lost in the physical expressions, is manifest in the mental aspect. All our pleasures and joys are made up of the mental concepts of what we find there, the wonder, delight and inexplainable joy, compensates us for the loss of the physical functions.

So here is something for our readers to remember. This book is in keeping with what you will find when you pass on. The satisfaction you derive in knowing what is before you will be much more gratifying than to read something of a momentary value. So in a way this book is for the serious minded, but it may be that all of us will soon be in this class.

There are certain important facts that we must accept in our considerations. First, that there is a great mental world on beyond us, and that all the great and wise men of ages past are there.

We are taught to believe that death severs all connection between us and those who have passed on. Believing this it is but a little while until we entirely forget our friends who have departed. We do not speculate as to where they are or what they are doing. We cannot conceive that they could have any part in shaping the affairs of men, so they soon pass out of our memory after they are gone. This belief has done much harm. It has caused a vast part of the human race to look upon man as little removed from the animal creation, for they too live and die and are soon forgotten.

Then it seems most evident that the mind, which is sometimes referred to as the Soul or Spirit, is an entity all by itself. It begins its life on earth there to grow to maturity as a physical man does. It was intended that its association with physical man and the physical world would allow it to acquire knowledge of world conditions and of the animal and vegetable kingdoms, to learn of the ways of the people in a physical world in order that they would be able to recognize those of other planets when they meet them on the other side. And to learn of the peculiarities of suns and planets and be able to comprehend what they see when they finally come among them.

Another important thought is, that some one or ones with great wisdom generously supplied the people of the planets with all the things they could make use of in their daily lives. They believed the people would see this generosity and be thankful in their hearts for all that was prepared for them, and that they would show that thankfulness in the only way they could, by looking on high, and in living a just and upright life.

It seems most evident that one of the greatest retarding influence in our advancement as a race, is the failure to recognize morals and ethics as something apart from church and religion. Religion is a matter between those on this side of life and the Creator, and is therefore a personal affair. Morals and ethics is a matter between men, how they should act in their associations with each other, a matter in which all are concerned.

Morals and ethics have for their foundation the Cardinal Virtues, and in the observance of these are to be found all that men or races of men can make use of in their efforts to discover the right ways of living. The people do not recognize the cardinal virtues as being any particular thing, they hear them referred to individually but believe they are an aspect of some other thing and pay no attention to them as a whole.

The virtues are all founded upon right and everything that builds up, the vices are associated with wrong, and tear down all that right builds up. All this should be taught as a science in our schools if we are to build up the intellects of the people, which can never be done until we learn to differentiate between these two opposites in our ways of thinking and doing.

At the present there are certain men whom we would speak of as very intellectual, and there were many in the past that were as great as these in intellectual attainment. Those of the past were great in the things of the mind, the arts and sciences, literature, culture and refinement and the rights of the people. In all these things there were no destructive tendencies so they lived in peace and harmony and their names live on forever. In contrast, the most learned of our day are great in the ways of the physical world, and in this all the vices and evils of earth find their home. Physical things endure for a time and were built by many different men all for their own purpose, consequently there is constant strife and contention among them. The desires and aspirations of one are contrary to the ambitions of another.

Hence there can be no advancement as a race until the people all come to a common understanding of the rights, duties, and responsibilities of men, and see that there must be a unity of action to accomplish anything of importance. Men must realize that they are accountable for their acts, and that any wrong they do will have to be made right before they can pass on in their advancement. The people everywhere must come to recognize and demand right, justice and honor among men.

It is believed by many of our people that we are not advancing in the things that constitute real civilization, they see the trend away from conscientious beliefs. All races of people as well as individual men, should continuously advance in their mental attainments, as well as in all other ways. They should continue to add to their knowledge and understanding of the things they will need in the future, for there is an inherent desire in the minds of all men for something better, this is the incentive that urges them on. But men do not always realize what is needed so they have all manner of desires.

With most men in our land, and that means a large part of them as a race, the desire is to accumulate property or wealth, believing it is all that is needed. So the national ideal is finance or industry. That we may all have the same understanding we will consider what is needed, and what constitutes civilization. Many believe it is industrial expansion and advancement in scientific fields, the supplying of all the people with all they need in a physical way.

But this is not true, all that belongs to the physical world, it is necessary and natural but it is of short duration, soon passing away. Civilization is the stage or condition of the people that has been built up over a period of time. It deals almost exclusively with the mental man, what he thinks and does, his education, his regard for the rights of others, his honesty and honor, his appreciation of literature, the arts and sciences, and his desire to walk uprightly before his fellowmen. So it is plain that industry does not make civilization, but on the contrary, the evils peculiar to industry hinders it.

To the ordinary person our civilization is about all that could be desired. It seems that little more could be added, and very much that go to make up our civilization is a part of our daily lives. If it were not for the evils that tear down what we build we would constantly progress, and considering the amount of this, the people deserve much credit for doing as well as they do.

Most people do not recognize the basic elements of their civilization, but measure it by their physical wants and needs. These are easily supplied for they have more of everything than they ever had before. Since this is their idea of civilization they believe we are near the summit and can see no need of a change.

Now in addition to all this, good, right, justice, unselfishness and all the other virtues are abroad in the land to brighten the day. But all the wrongs, selfishness and injustice of mankind pursue their evil course in the darkness of night. Men try to hide their misdeeds from the light of day. So the great mass of the people are not aware that so much evil exists. One has but to consider the courts of justice, the penal institutions, the struggle between capital and labor, and the army of men who endeavor to enforce the law, to see that all this and very much more is with us. There is enough evil in the world to nullify the forces of good. Now broadly speaking the people know of all this, but make little effort to change conditions and establish the proper ways of living among themselves.

Men and nations will rise as high as their ideals and no higher. An ideal is the goal held up to the people, and in this country it is industry. We have heard and read that this is an industrial age. It has attained such gigantic proportions that the minds of the people are on this in some form at all times. Hence the purely mental activities of men are minimized or neglected, and the altruistic spirit that contributes to the general good does so in a financial way but not as a personal benevolence. Hence there is not enough spontaneous generosity and good in the world to counteract the bad or evil propensities of men, therefore we must make laws to punish them for doing what they well know they should not.

In this way the people pass on their responsibilities to those who make and enforce the law. The efficiency of all this is open to your consideration. Only a sense of cooperation on the part of the people will cause them to pause and seriously consider their duties and obligations, and unite them with the desire to find some way to make the world what they well know it should be.

CHAPTER III

It is the intention to make mind and intellect so plain in this chapter that all can readily understand them. This is something the people know practically nothing about. They know of the activities of the mind, and the result of these activities, but that is all. Mind and intellect are not physical in any sense, so they belong to another world, yet they are needed here for physical man must have something to guide his movements or he could not exist.

So intellect was brought to earth in the way of the mind cell. It was to live with man during his physical life, and to serve two purposes. That of guiding the activities of physical man in his daily life, and an equally important one, that of developing the intellect from its beginning, until it came to be a mental man ready to pass on to the other side.

Remember, mentality is the all important thing. The Creator is all intellect, all those on the various spiritual planes are all intellect, and the hereafter is made up of intellect. Physical life therefore is but an incident in the great scheme of creation although it plays an important part, for it is the beginning and the means of developing the mental man.

Everywhere and among all races of people, physical life is the important thing. This is something they can see and feel with the physical senses, while the mind and the intellect are something elusive, visionary and unreal, so conditions are as you would expect to find them, and in this case the advancement of the people would be largely in the physical field. It seems that what is needed, and all that is needed, is that the people know the real facts concerning mind and intellect, then they can see what is to their interest, and what is needed.

Many volumes have been written concerning mind and intellect. It is most certain that the mind is more than it is assumed to be by most writers, for it is capable of exerting force, and anything that can create force must be of a material nature. It must have form and substance and the ability to act independently of the physical body. Therefore it must be an entity, an independent being and not a part of any other thing. It does not change when it leaves the body but is the same on the other side of life as it is here, readily adapting itself to its new environment. This must be true or our life on earth would be all there is of man. All the knowledge and experience he had accumulated during his earth life and his personality, would be immediately dissipated and lost if they were not all held together by the same personal attraction as while on earth.

There is a diversity of opinion among those who write of the mind. Some refer to the mental part of man as the mind, spirit, soul and intellect. Some hold that he has one or more of these, and others that he has all of them. This is but conjecture, as they have nothing definite from which to reason. They have not learned to visualize the finer divisions of physical matter or the laws that govern it. They do not seem to be aware that nothing exists without a material basis of some degree of refinement. They do not realize that the great mental universe which we regard as the spiritual side of life, is made up of the same material as is the earth, only in different form. The substance of which planets are composed is an example of matter in its crudest form. It is undergoing continual refinement in the breaking up of the particles into smaller particles. When it reaches a certain state we call it ethereal matter, and at a later state it is called mental material. In this you will be able to see what the next world will be like, but this will depend upon your ability to visualize these conditions.

While on earth the mental part of man is referred to as the mind, but when he passes on it is generally believed that the mind is dissipated and thereafter he is considered as a Soul or Spirit. This understanding or belief is very erroneous indeed. The mind does not change but is

the same there as here, so the spirit and the soul are names used to designate those who dwell in the celestial spheres.

Intellect is an important part of mind although the two are not specifically attached to each other. It is the sum total of your accumulated knowledge and the two together complete the whole. They are the same after you pass on as they are before passing. The mind including intellect is the part of man that survives after death. The nebula or that part representing your store of knowledge, passes on with the mind, but a very large part of it is soon changed for something else. You will conclude that much of what you have believed is not true and will not care to remember it longer. The mind is the part that lives on forever, provided you have done nothing while on earth to destroy it or materially lessen its powers and activities.

The nucleus or magnetic center of the mind is a cell of material matter deriving its force and power from the rapidity of its movements. This is caused by the flow of the electric life element passing through it in much the same manner as electricity flows through a motor. This life fluid is a thought emanation from the great central source, the Creator. It does not come direct from Him but passes through those on the super-planes who know your requirements and will supply what you need.

This magnetic cell of mental material comes into being in very much the same manner as do those of the physical. The beginning is a single cell thrown off by a male and female on the higher planes of spiritual life. It is the effervescence of thought and partakes of both positive and negative. It is attached and becomes attached to the physical body of the unborn infant, because of the equal vibratory activity between it and the most sensitive part of the physical body. It remains there as long as the physical continues to function, after which it responds to other attractions from above. There is always a connecting link with the parent source which supplies the life fluids needed for its development, and later for the intellectual development that it added so rapidly. Much of this is forced upon the mind of the infant by the spiritual parents. This bond of attraction is similar to the bond of human relationship between us, and so long as we maintain this contact with each other the spiritual bond remains unbroken. But there are millions of poor mortals, who by reason of human parental neglect, have lost contact with those on the other side of life as well, and are wandering in a world of their own making.

The mind cell is capable of generating much magnetism, creating a force which draws to you items of information of all kinds. From these you choose what you desire to consider and by the process of reasoning solve your problems. On the other hand, as is often the case, men allow the mind to remain inactive or to run riot and conceive all manner of things that retard their natural advancement. So all this is according to their own will and desire.

In mental communication we must control the activities of the dynamic center, which must be slowed down to a state of quietude or nearly so. This will allow the one speaking with you an opportunity to impress upon your mind what he desires you to know. This is illustrated by the fact that one cannot count the spokes in a rapidly revolving wheel.

The nebula or the other part of your mind is made up of items of knowledge held together by the magnetism generated by the magnetic center. These items of knowledge are not a part of your mind but belong to whoever has the power to attract them. The things you have brought into being by your own efforts you consider as your own, and the mental attraction for them, holds them near by so that you can recall them at will. This is not always true for some times they have wandered away and we forget.

This nebula is the part we force away from us and to the place we want to go when we speak with those as a distance. It has the peculiarity of being able to extend itself to any place we can conceive of, but the instant we relax the force that holds it there it is back home again.

Intellect is something that seems to have various meanings, each person having his own inter-

pretation. It is more than the faculty of “understanding and comprehension” as is defined in our books of reference. In reality it is not a faculty or attribute but a material thing made of what you know, items of knowledge and information of all kinds. Men of learning are often spoken of as “great intellects” not because of their ability to comprehend, but by their store of knowledge.

But intellect is something more than items of knowledge, for many items of knowledge exist and no one takes note of them. Only those that have come under the observation of some one’s mind and in contact with certain life elements, are stabilized and become intellect.

When electricity becomes over-magnetized it becomes another element, one to be found only in the central sun, it is this that stabilized knowledge and causes it to exist thereafter as intellect. Hence it is that this kind of knowledge or intellect is never dissipated or lost.

These items of knowledge are continually multiplying and as they are of a positive nature they have an affinity for each other, so naturally there would be a large body of them somewhere, so much of it that it is forced out and away. The tendency of all intellect is to return to the place where it once was, for the conditions there are more harmonious because of the affinity of one particle of matter for another. When they come together they would remain together were it not for the fact that someone is continually disturbing them, someone looking for what he needs. When undisturbed these particles find their way back to where they were before, for intellect differs from most particles of matter, traveling in cycles or circles and always returning.

Contrary to common belief this knowledge or information is not yours, but like the air you breathe, you possess it but for a very short time. What you can draw to you depends upon the strength of your mind, and your ability to recognize a thought when it comes to you, and see that it is something you need and can make use of. When you have once come in contact with an item of knowledge and considered it, its peculiarities are fixed in your mind and you readily recognize it the next time it comes your way.

The items of knowledge brought into being by your own personal efforts have an affinity for other similar items of knowledge and cannot be picked up or attracted away from you so long as you will it.

It is now possible for us to form a mental picture of the unseen universe, and to feel that at last we have something to reason from. We can also visualize what those who live there are like, what they do, and what they expect of us now that we can realize our responsibilities and see that there is much to do. It is plain that we should help ourselves and our own people, and relieve them of the burden of caring for those who should care for themselves. What we have learned of these conditions should convince us that it was intended we would help in all ways we could in the great work of regeneration that is so badly needed.

It is doubtful if many of our land realize the actual condition of the people in many parts of the world. The abundance of our worldly possessions and our financial prosperity has brought about much complacency at home, and has caused us to be regarded as the foremost nation of our time. But there is another element entering here which may have more to do with this than finance. It is the respect all nations have for our beliefs in justice, equity, the rights of others and our national honor that was made a part of our government when it was founded.

This has prevailed from its earliest inception as a nation, and is unusual in the world of diplomacy. The nations that have so long lived in an atmosphere of intrigue and insincerity cannot believe that this is real, for they see the acts of some of our citizens who fail to support these high ideals.

Now that we are in possession of all the facts, and have the means at hand to do so, our people could easily if they would, establish and maintain a great intellectual center, one to which all the world would come for learning and inspiration in the field of mental advancement.

CHAPTER IV

Mental Communication in its last analysis is a simple matter, and it would seem that in the near future it would be understood and practiced by many. However the results of mental communication are beyond our powers of comprehension. Now that the people of one language or race can speak freely with those of another, it will necessarily change the ways of the world. This method of writing was discovered a number of years ago, but the investigations outlined were so numerous and important that the announcing of it has been delayed.

What was known of telepathy and mind reading long ago convinced men that some minds could do things that others could not, so they were on the lookout for something new. However they were of the opinion that the results were natural peculiarities that could not be changed. In other words there was no way to control the activities of the mind. Consequently the only superiority one man would have over another intellectually, would be in the amount of knowledge accumulated. So man's field of opportunity and activity was limited to the accumulation of knowledge.

This viewpoint seemed erroneous. For everything in the world should go forward according to the laws of evolution. The capacities, powers and forces of the mind should increase as a result of constant use, but they do not, the mind is where it was thousands of years ago so far as efficiency is concerned. The logical view taken was that there is a way of expanding the forces of the mind if it only could be found, and the most reasonable way to do that, was by controlling its activities which we were taught to believe could not be done, at least it had not been done, for men are not able to hold their mind on any specific thing except for a few seconds of time.

This was a bold experiment and one needing much time and determination. The object was to control the mind and the method outlined in doing this was to hold the mind upon one particular spot or thing and not let it wander away. I did not realize that this would slow down the rotations of the mind cell, but that is what happened. In time it was possible to hold the mind upon any given thing as long as we cared to do so.

As to how that was accomplished, this requires both physical and mental force. As you are aware the mind cell is dependent upon the physical forces of the body to help it along, so both of these are needed in controlling the mind. You set the muscles of the body as when posing as a statue, hold it there for a time, this continued exercise will bring the result. When the eye and the mind wander bring them back to where they were, using both physical and mental force. In gaining this control over the mind you have increased its force, its alertness and its activity as well as its receptive properties. It is then possible to force the mind away and come in touch with intellects of great mental strength.

As to the results, it was a long time after this before I discovered that I was mistaken in regard to controlling the mind. This mind cell belongs to another world, deriving its force and power from the life-fluids from above, so we have no control over it, but we can control that through which it functions – the sensitive nerve tissues of the brain. The mind cell being dependent upon the physical force of these nerve tissues to coordinate and animate it, will naturally respond to the lessened activities of the nerve tissues, and will remain in a state of almost or absolute quietude during the period of conversation with one far from us however long that may be. So if you wish you can regard this as control of a part of the physical body instead of the mind.

We do not realize it but what we do in mental communication is what is habitually done, in a small way, when we are communicating with each other. When listening to another we fix our attention, and this lessens or stills the vibratory activity of the brain cell, thus slowing down the movements of the dynamic center. This allows us more readily to recognize the thoughts that come to us. You must remember the brain tissues are very largely nerves and are very sensitive

to impressions.

When we speak to others the effort to convey what we wish to impress upon the mind of another, stimulates the nerve tissues, thereby increasing the activity of the dynamic center of the mind. So it is that mental communication is simply the increasing or intensifying the normal functions of the body, as well as inhibiting their activity.

Now there must be a force somewhere that will counteract the force of the dynamic center, a force strong enough to overcome its activities if we are to control it. There is such a force and it is the only voluntary force of a physical nature we have. It regulates all our physical activities through the contraction and relaxation of the voluntary muscles of the body. The force that operates and controls the involuntary activities of all the organs of the body, comes to us from those above through the animal mind-element, we pay no attention to this.

So it is a fact that by the use of the only physical force we have we can accelerate or inhibit the activities of the brain tissues and nerve centers, to the extent that they do not lend support or allow the mind cell to rotate freely on its axis.

In mental communication with another person the one listening simply holds the mind to attention, this slows down the activity of the mind cell and allows the other to impress upon it what he desires you to know. You feel the force of his thought and it is just the same to you as spoken thoughts or words. When you speak to him the act is reversed, your effort to formulate a thought in words creates a sensation that reaches to him and he gets the same understanding of it that you have. In a way this is much more accurate and precise than common conversation. Words have different meanings but thoughts do not.

So in mental conversation all you get from another is the thought, it seems as though you get the words but you do not. You automatically and instantly supply the words to express a thought. You will note this inasmuch as a writer will use the same style of expression regardless of who speaks to him. This explains how it is that we can converse readily with those of all races and conditions. For all to be able to speak with the same language is the most fortunate situation you can imagine. Another equally important fact is, that there are no limits or boundaries to thought. The mind passes freely to the furthestmost confines of space and everything there seems as though it were here.

At the time we begin to write there was no positive information of what there was above us. For ages men have continued their efforts to come in contact with those above and learn of what there was on the other side of life, but what they got was so confusing and contradictional that it was given little consideration. The reason was, that those they heard from were on the first or second planes and were almost as much of earth as when they lived there.

It was evident therefore that to obtain authentic information we would need to go far beyond these and come in contact with those of strong intellects, hence the need of strengthening the mind, both in being able to reach them, and the ability to understand the emanations that come from their minds. On the other hand those of the seventh plane knew almost nothing of the people of the planets aside from what they could learn from those who came over. They could learn nothing from very many of these and from the others only of their physical life. They did not believe it possible to convey reliable information to the people so they did not try. They did however allow contact with the lower planes in a limited way, just to show the people that there was a hereafter peopled by those who at one time lived on the planets.

It was very evident that to reach those of the higher planes one must add new powers to the mind to be able to force it that far away, and then to attract and hold the attention of those there, and to understand their thoughts and desires, hence the control of the mind just explained.

When they finally came in full contact with physical man and the physical things of our planet, it seemed to change their conceptions of physical matter and things connected with it, so

it was not long until they adopted our manner of thought and expression. They could then see what they had not seen before, for they had presumed that the people of earth having everything conceivable at their command, and a long time to shape their course, should be on the way to a perfect plan of living. Their civilization would naturally embrace a perfect conception of the mental man and what was intended by the Creator when man was created.

When they came in touch with the people and were able to pass from one to another, they could then see what they were doing, could read their thoughts, and know of their ambitions and desires. They were overcome with disappointment that the people would fail to appreciate all the bounties of nature prepared for them, and it was distressing to note that men would wantonly destroy and lay waste the works of nature. And of more importance, that they would abuse the privilege men enjoy in the perfection of the physical body, resorting to all manner of excesses and disregard for the welfare of the physical man.

Those who have charge of the vegetable kingdom have felt this same disappointment, and noted the indifference in man's use and appreciation of all that they have prepared for him. They believed that in this perfection man, seeing the hand and guiding spirit of those on high, and looking with reverence upon all the works of nature, would finally conclude that all this was a plan held up for him to follow, and that he should seek to improve the mind and in all ways live a just and upright life. Now some do this but very many more do not.

This experimentation was a long drawn out affair, but in time it became evident that we were in touch with those far away and that they understood what was said to them. It was explained that it appeared that with additional force they might succeed in speaking with us, and they were asked to send those of great mental strength. There was some improvement from this but not enough. Then it was suggested that they send a female thinking that the negative might succeed where the positive would not. There was no noticeable difference in this. Then I suggested that two would be stronger than one and that they send a male to help the female. This was indeed a surprise for it seemed to be exactly what was needed, and we were able to write at once. It requires two, the positive and the negative or male and female when they speak to us.

I do not understand just why this is so, for this is not true when we speak to those of the planets. They seem to be just like we are in all ways and appear to be immediately present when we converse with them. When we speak to one on a spiritual plane we either go to him or he comes to us which is usually done, but when we speak to one on a planet we must go to him and remain there during the period of conversation. So far I have no evidence that the people of one planet speak to those of another. And except in the case of the people of Mercury, who have a sort of delaying method of conversing mentally with each other, there is no evidence that the people of the planets speak in this manner with each other. But we are able to speak to any of them. We need more information on this subject.

Although I have done so with one on the planet Venus with whom I had previously spoken, it is difficult to attract one on a planet for they are not expecting it, and our minds would not be strong enough to attract their attention. Usually someone over there makes the necessary arrangements for us.

I have in mind a remarkable incident. I was told that they would take me to a certain planet where lived a man of much learning, that they could not speak to him or attract his attention. They suggested that if I could do this the reward would be well worth the effort. I conceived that in addition to the force of my mind, I would visualize myself as appearing in person before him. Almost immediately he saw the mental image and finally responded to my salutation, although he was somewhat frightened at first. When he was assured that there would be no harm and that I wanted to visit with him, he spoke telling me of his people and the land where he lived.

At a later date I had a similar experience with another although the circumstances were some-

what different. This person was able to see and comment on the mental pictures I held up to him, and also upon many illustrations shown him from a Geographic magazine. He seemed to see all the details as well or better than I could. In these two incidents there is much food for thought. How it is that they can recognize all this and intelligently reply. It seems quite possible that we may soon be able to go to our friends on other planets at will.

CHAPTER V

The first contact with the spiritual side of life was with those on the seventh plane. You will bear in mind that those on the planes below the seventh have not the strength of mind to speak to us, nor do male and female work together as they do on the higher planes. However, I have spoken to some of those of the lower planes on certain occasions, but only when there was someone to help them on the way, perhaps to supply the mind with additional force. There is no particular reason why we would care to speak to these except that they were relatives or friends, and then only to learn of their condition and welfare, for they could tell us but little more.

At first the communications were experimental and of an uncertain nature, but soon we were able to speak readily with them. Those above were very much more surprised that this could be so than we were, for the only method they had of communicating with those below them was by mental impression, by forcing or impressing a thought on the mind of another. They were not aware that there were any planes above them for they were not in communication with any save their own people. This was so entirely new and unbelievable to them that many wanted to see what there was to this new discovery so there was always someone waiting to write. This writing continued for a long time for there was much to look into and many things to learn of what would be useful to us in what was to follow. In time I asked them if it would be possible to write a treatise explaining conditions on the other side of life, that the people might know what they would meet with when they passed on. They responded by signifying their intention to make it a book, and almost immediately we began to write. But the book went slowly for a time for many manuscripts were thrown away and always a new beginning was made. As the writing progressed many new conditions arose necessitating a change, and it appeared that they desired to make sure what they proposed to do would be carried out regardless of unfavorable conditions.

While searching for certain information, their minds wandering in space came in touch with those of the first super-plane above them. They were not aware of the existence of this plane, but had felt the influence of intellect coming from somewhere. They believed it was from the Deity and did not consider communication with Him possible so they did not try. Some believed that there might be other planes above, and by using the manner of thought we use in communication, they were able to speak readily with those on the plane above. This was indeed a surprise and from this beginning they were able to reach all the other super-planes above them.

When those of the first super-plane saw that those of the seventh plane were endeavoring to write a true history or explanation of the planets and spiritual life, they volunteered to help them. Those of the seventh gladly accepted their services for the task was greater than they had anticipated.

About this time those on the super-planes seeing the need, came together and perfected an organization consisting of the most learned man of the several planets, the purpose of which was for the carrying out in a more efficient manner, what they had been endeavoring to do for ages by means of mental impression. They could see that now they could present their thoughts and desires in a different manner, one in which all doubt was eliminated and their thoughts and admonitions once formed would continue to exist. So to this end the inhabitants of each super-plane volunteered to prepare a book and other writings, in order that those of earth who read

what was written would always be in touch with them. So it came about that all these planes were united in one association, the administrative center of which is on the first super-plane. This location was necessary for those below could go no higher.

Prior to the time we came upon the scene, all communication between different groups of intellects on the various spiritual planes was by mental impression, by influence they called it. One or many persons impressing thoughts upon the minds of others, these were recognized and received in part or not at all. We must remember that this was the manner in which our Bible was written.

When one realizes what mental impression is, and is looking for it, as when we are writing something, the results can be of much importance, for in fact it is the beginning or the first phase of mental communication. At first it is but the clearing of the mental atmosphere on their part, and a bringing to the foreground of the facts and details of what the writer would like to know, leaving him to choose what seems needed. But soon they are able to see what is most suitable, and bring this to the foreground, so a large part of what he writes comes from them, but he is free to change or add to and make it what he believes it should be.

The next step in this procedure is the realization of the one writing, that at least a part of what he is writing is not his own thoughts but comes from someone else. As this condition becomes more evident he decides to depend entirely upon whoever is assisting, for the whole discourse, and by using the listening faculties only, is able to comprehend what appears to him to be words, then a sentence, and then a whole discourse. This method of conversation seems almost exactly the same as a telephone message. There is no sound to be sure but it is all so natural that you do not notice this omission. You will realize that someone far away is speaking and will hold the mind in a state of attention that you may get all the conversation. In doing this it will be necessary to exert both physical and mental force, for the dynamic center of your mind must be held in a state of attention if the line of communication is to remain unbroken.

This is similar to telephone conversation in another way, you must hold one end of the line and the speaker the other end. Now this line is made up of a thought emanation, and this is a part of the nebula which you are able to force away from you and on to the place you desire to go.

In your first experience of writing you should be in a secluded place and await in expectation as in listening over a telephone. Your first impression that someone is present, is the fullness of the mind as though something was forcing to express itself. It will be very faint at first and you will have to force the mind to catch it, but soon the words will be plain to you. I say words, for that is the way it seems to you, but in reality it is just the thought. You should write down all that comes to you thus avoiding mistakes, besides you will have a correct copy of the message. During the period of communication the mind must be held in a state of complete quietude in order that the line of thought be not broken.

When we are in ordinary communication with others there is the physical environment to hold our attention, the body, the features, and the personality to form a connecting link for our thoughts. In mental communication there is nothing of this kind, nothing but the feeling of the mental force that comes to you, and the realization that someone far away is speaking.

This detailed description is simply the experience of the one who discovered this method of speaking with those at a distance. With all who would write of scientific matters, and seek to explore uncharted fields, all this experience is perhaps necessary, but the experience of others have shown that in causal conversation no particular preparation is needed. All this will be just what those above desire it to be, they hold the other end of the line and we can do nothing but await their pleasure. However, it is safe to say that any effort men make to better the conditions of the people and the affairs of the world in general, will be looked upon with favor and assisted

in all ways.

When we were preparing the manuscripts that make up these writings, the conditions were different from what they are now. Then anyone on the other side could write and there was no way of preventing him. I will repeat here an incident that happened at that time, and this was one reason why conditions were changed.

For a time the work of preparing the manuscripts went forward without interruption. But finally some who had been writing, came to believe that they should have a part in the work. This was entirely a selfish desire on their part. They could see that those who read what they wrote would always be in touch with them, and they desired to be of this number. To reach their objective they endeavored to inject their personality into what we wrote by means of certain outstanding announcements or statements that would attract the attention of the reader but still seem to be a part of the original writing. This was done so ingeniously that many times it was not noticed while writing, but it always showed up when the one who dictated the discourse followed through when it was scrutinized.

When they were called to account they would promise not to do so again but broke their promise at the first opportunity. In a small way this was a battle royal and a sad ending for those who defied the forces of good in the interest of church. Some day you will learn the details of this interesting event. I speak of it here to show that even on the other side of life there are those who still hold dogmatic opinions and believe that irregularities are permissible if done in the interest of religion. Those who so believe never pass on from the lower planes.

It appears that it was man in the flesh who developed a method of communication in which things are referred to and described in thoughts or words that have a definite and precise meaning. This was all new to those on the other side, but they soon adopted the idea and seem to use our method of expression in all things. Prior to this time they knew practically nothing of the mentality of the people of the planets. Now the conditions are reversed, they can reach us at all times and stay with us as long as they choose, what we know is as plain to them as it is to us. So do not believe that you can hide your shortcomings as you have in the past.

Perhaps you are wondering why these writings were not given out before inasmuch as most of them were prepared some time ago. There are perhaps two reasons. One is that those on the other side were not ready, and the other is that we on this side were not ready. It is my belief that everything is now ready for a change. They have stated that what they propose will come to pass, and it is certain that they have the power and the means of bringing about anything they conceive of. Everything on our planet, and the people and their affairs, are under their daily supervision, so it is plain that it would require much time to conceive of an advanced condition and prepare to bring it about, but there are many of them on the other side and they are all interested in what we are doing.

Now as to why we were not ready, prior to this last world disturbance there was much complacency among the people. The financial prosperity among them led the people to believe that they had reached the height of civilization, and that no change was needed, notwithstanding the pages of our social calendar were black with the sordid acts of men.

For years within our memory, thousands of our preachers, our teachers, our social workers, and the heads of all kinds of organizations of a benevolent and altruistic nature, have been trying to reform and clean up this disgraceful condition but with little or no success as you are well aware.

Now the people see that something must be done if our civilization is to survive. Those on the other side of life believe that the people themselves will see what is needed, and will seriously consider their ways of living, and their beliefs as to what men should do and be, if they are to command the respect and confidence of their fellowmen. They will see immediately that they

cannot hide their laxities and shortcomings as they have done in the past, and that all wrongs will have to be made right. They will see that honesty and honor will be forced upon them whether they seek it or not, and that all men will be known by what they do and believe, and not by the abundance of their worldly possessions.

They should be able to realize that anything to endure must be builded upon right and justice, and that they must divest themselves of all wrongs and evils of earth life, and that they must pay all debts and discharge all moral obligations before they can banish these things from their mind and feel ready to meet all who have done the same.

These thoughts are peculiar to, and recognized by most races, whether they seriously consider them or not. We can now see where the Roman Catholic church gets its idea of purgatory and the Hindu his belief in reincarnation. Neither of these believe that ordinary men when they pass on are qualified to meet and associate with the great and the good on the other side of life, or that they have the wisdom to understand what they see. They believe that there must be a period of probation in which man can change his imperfections for the cloak of righteousness necessary to permit him to take his place with the others.

We recognize this condition also and dispose of the matter in a more simplified manner. We believe that when we pass on, the errors and sins of our past life will be forgiven, and that we will immediately become all wise and pure, and will be permitted to enter into the presence of all that is great and holy. But my brothers, be not deceived, no such condition as this exists on the other side of life. There as here, goodness and wisdom are thrust upon no man, they are to be acquired only after a long period of effort and a desire for better things.

This one thought held in the minds of the people is enough to change the ways of the world entirely. What those above most desire is that the people lay away and discard all their false beliefs. These consist largely of the myths and miracles, traditions and usages that have come down to us from the past. These have not the necessary basis of facts to sustain them, nor do our men of science accept them as true.

When we consider seriously we will realize that death does not end all as many believe, that those who passed on from us are not lost or changed into some other form of which we cannot conceive, but are as they were when they left us, only living in another land, and that we will soon join them in our new home. The removal of this doubt and uncertainty should be a source of consolation to all of us, and especially to the weary toilers of earth who see a scant recompense for all their labors, trials and disappointments of a long life on earth.

This should cause millions to cast their thoughts on high thereby coming in contact with those they never knew. They will most surely realize that their life on earth is but the beginning, and can visualize the reward in store for those who do all things well. They can now see that the Biblical injunction that "we lay up treasures on high" is indeed true.

CHAPTER VI

We will now turn to something different and consider the two worlds or states of being through which man passes on his journey of evolution. These are entirely separate and distinct from each other. We recognize the first one with its suns and planets, but the mental universe is something beyond our comprehension.

Generally speaking men see nothing but the physical world and what it contains. To be sure they realize they have a mind and are able to think and reason but they believe this is a part of the physical and give it no special consideration. What we have now in our little world and all the other celestial bodies is by us believed to be all there is or ever was of this nature. The

endurance of these things are so long that we cannot conceive of there ever being anything more than what we now have. But we are mistaken in this.

There have been three creations within the memory of mental man. The one we are now considering is the first. They were all very much alike in their physical characteristics, but what appeared on the planets varied with the intellects of men. What was before these creations, is simply conjecture for there were no intellects in existence at that time, so we can but judge of this by what has taken place since. The Creator came into being in the first of these creations so we know what has transpired from that time to this.

Inasmuch as the first creation was well on the way when He came into being, the formation of it was not influenced to any great extent by Him. But the next two creations were. Many laws and conditions came into being because of the experience and wisdom He gathered during the existence of this first creation. He did however bring about the most important thing we can conceive of, the advent of Mental man. He conceived that there should be lesser intellects, men with minds that functioned like his own. That they should inhabit the planets, and should assist in the work of evolution by conceiving of and bringing into being what was to appear on the planets, for these were far removed from the great central source of influence.

We think of man as a physical being, but the physical part of him was added millions of years after this time. At first he was simply intellect or a mental man living in the interior of a planet for there was nothing on it save the rocks and the soil.

It may seem strange that the Creator being all intellect, would be occupied almost exclusively with physical or material things. We believe that what appears on the planets and the lives of races of men are even more intricate and important, and that He is the one who should and does supervise and regulate all these things. But this is not so. He knows nothing of our daily lives or of the mental habits of the people, all this was delegated to those below Him.

What these lesser intellects did was similar to what he did, they were all intellect yet their work was entirely with physical things. The physical man and the vegetable and animal creations were all to be conceived of by and brought into being by them. But all life of every description came primarily from the Creator, it is the emanation of thought and comes to them through those on certain spiritual planes.

To produce these they must conceive of what they desired, and of all the elements that would enter into its formation, and of the various parts and functions; this they held in their minds until the forces of nature consolidated these elements into a material thing.

Chief of these forces was the element electricity. This is the most potent force in nature, and is the only element that survives the dissolution of a creation. This element stands alone, for the particles of which it is composed are so fine and move so rapidly that they will not mix with anything else, so they naturally endure longer. It is this element animating particles of dead matter that finally brings into being suns and planets.

This creation began like the others, a single particle of matter being a little larger than another attracted the smaller particle and to them others came and in time a center of attraction was formed. When the central sun was once started on its journey it grew rapidly for the magnetism generated was held in one place. In time the electrical forces became over-magnetized by reason of the excessive heat and pressure, it then took on new proportions, new properties and became another substance.

The activities of its atoms became so great that it assumed the sensations of life and became conscious of its existence. In time it was able to think and reason and from this came into being the Creator. This transformation covered a long period of time for it was brought about by the then existing laws of nature without the help of intellect as was the case after this event.

The Creator is all intellect and at first there was not much of this in existence, so his powers

grew as conditions changed. Intellect is items of knowledge, facts of all kinds, things that have happened and will happen under certain conditions, and at first there was not much of this in comparison with what there was later. This information, these items of knowledge is what formed the intellect of the Creator, so it was a long time in forming.

With us now, these items of information must pass through the minds of those who consider them and cause them to come in contact with certain life-elements before they are stabilized and will endure as intellect. There are many items of knowledge and facts that pass unnoticed and are lost for the lack of this recognition.

When this central sun became over-impregnated with electrical force, some of it reaching out in space disturbed the particles of matter collected in certain places. These feeling the effects of the electrical currents began the generation of magnetism and another sun was on the way. In like manner came into being all the suns of the first and second magnitude. They in turn brought forth the planets.

For a long time after they were formed the planets were miniature suns, and would have continued as suns had it not been that they were too far away from the central source of magnetic energy. When the material that composed these planets was collected and they began to rotate, and had prescribed their orbits, they were so far removed from this source of heat and energy that they immediately began to solidify on the outside and thereafter the material of space would not mix with the material of the planet. After this they were planets and not suns.

The formation of all these suns and planets was the natural results of the established laws and forces of nature, without the help or assistance of intellect, and this is the general plan of all creations. But what appears on the planets other than the barren rocks is something different. It shows the orderly effect of intellect working to an end. So every living thing on the planets, both vegetable and animal, was conceived of and planned by intellect, but nature's laws and forces are the hands that do the work and bring into being everything you see that is of special beauty and harmony.

This is not true of the mineral world, this primordial matter is in no way affected by the thoughts of man. The chemistry of the mineral world is all governed by the established laws of nature, and most of the minerals we have are found in varying amounts on all the planets. Some of these elements are negative and some are positive, and the currents of electrical force playing from one to another cause the activities within the planet. So on some there would be an excessive amount of magnetism generated. These are the planets that generate human life directly from super-animated electricity and produce a man in the same way as the great central sun produced a Creator. This was especially true of all the inhabitants of the first creation.

They had their origin in the rocks and minerals of the planet and continued to live there until they had gathered strength and wisdom to pass on to the spiritual planes. All these intellects of the first creation were assisted in their development by the will and desire of the Creator. They were the same as He is in one way, they were male and female united in one. But that condition is not much different from what it is on the super-planes, for there male and female or positive and negative work together almost as one. The two must concur in all their calculations.

In the matter of intellect or mind and its manner of functioning, there seems to be but little difference between races from that day to ours. But inasmuch as they were the direct desire of the Creator, they would partake of his characteristics, so their minds were on the creation of worlds and the laws and forces that govern them. There was nothing else to hold their attention for there was nothing on the planets but the barren rocks. In their ability to think and reason concerning these things they were undoubtedly far our superiors.

In time this creation passed away, the planets and the suns burned themselves out and later disappeared entirely. Then came a long period of darkness. During this time the intellects then in

existence remained in comparative inactivity for there was nothing to give them strength. Then came the breaking forth of light and the formation of another central sun. This caused them to wonder if there would be another creation similar to themselves.

In their long meditation they conceived of what a new race would be like, and what the surface of a new planet would need if men were to live there, for they believed the Creator as well as themselves would look forward to advanced conditions. In their early life upon a planet they were able by the force of their minds, to bring certain things of a low order into being, and they reasoned from this they might be instrumental in bringing much of what was to appear on the next planets into being. They realized however that life came from the Creator and they would have nothing to do with that, but they believed they would have much to do with physical man.

They realized that they had not been able to make use of anything on the surface of a planet where they formerly lived, and believed they could improve upon this condition. So they sought to reason out an advanced race of people, and what they would need to sustain them if they were to live on the planet instead of in it as they did.

They believed that if man was to live on the surface of the planet there should be more to hold his attention than the barren rocks, so the idea of vegetation for the next creation came to them, and also the belief that he too should be of the vegetable kingdom for he would be dependent upon it for his sustenance.

What is to appear on a planet must be conceived of, planned, and brought into being in ethereal form long before the planet is ready to receive it. Things do not change so quickly with them as they do with us, what they have must be prepared long before it is to appear if changes and corrections are to be made. They can add to what they have but can add nothing entirely new after the planet is formed. All these things they hoped to bring about were held in their minds while they waited for the second creation to appear.

Those who read might wonder how a race of people could live and what they would be like, who are all intellect and have never known of any other condition. I will reproduce here what one of these primitive people tells us of conditions as they were when man first came into being.

My friend I consider this very unusual to be able to speak to you, for an inconceivable long time has elapsed from my day to yours, it seems impossible, unbelievable but it is true. I wish to explain some things not known to your people. I am one of a former creation and lived on a planet that at one time existed out in space, but it has long since passed away. This former creation was a universe similar to what you now have, with many suns and planets which were much the same in their physical characteristics as your creation. It ran its course and gradually deteriorated, decayed and passed away. Then darkness came over us for a long period of time, and after this the breaking forth again of light, and the coming into being of another creation.

I can remember with what sorrow and apprehension we viewed the passing of all these suns and planets, and that when darkness came over us we were all but overcome with grief and despair, for we were not sure all this would reappear. Then for a long time we remained in comparative inactivity for there was nothing to give us strength, but in time all this came back as it was and we rejoiced in the light and set forth to discover some condition that would prevent this disaster from overcoming us again. So far we have thought of nothing that would stay the ravages of time, nothing that will make physical matter indestructible and cause it to endure forever. I presume all we see now will pass through its cycle as was done by the former creations, and we will again see another long period of darkness. But the mind, the intellect, will never experience what it did at that time, for it has progressed to a state where it can endure independent of all physical things. So I feel that all will be well with the people who now inhabit the planets when they shall have disappeared. At another time I will be pleased to speak further as to conditions of my day.

As a matter of information we will include another article taken from my files, this one is of a much later date. These articles were prepared to serve two purposes, first for the information they convey, then to show what can be expected when those of our own people begin to write, for there are many topics they will desire to know.

My friend, I note you have the time this morning so I will describe to you the dissolution of a planet. This one is in a far distant part of the firmament and is very old, almost burned out, so nearly so that while it rotates it scarcely moves, but it revolves around the sun in about the same length of time it always did. The reason for this is that a planet once set in motion will continue at the same rate of speed until something happens to retard its movements.

This planet is very far out from the sun and in following its orbit encounters several other planets on the way. Some of these attract it and hasten its speed, others repel it and retard its speed, so it goes around in about the same length of time it did in the beginning. You would naturally presume that when its rate of rotation is less it would slow down but it does not. This is because of the law of attraction and the law of repulsion, which are always in operation and act between particles that compose the planet and those of other planets it will encounter on the way.

This planet is almost burned out, and since there is nothing but dead matter, or nearly so, and no electrical currents of its own making, we say it is dead. Matter that is dead is simply what you see in a rock; matter entirely solidified, hence there is much of it on your planet. But coal, oil, gas, water and many other things you find on the earth are live matter. If you could see the inside of your planet you would note that it is very much alive there, but can understand that it will continue to solidify, and when there is no more heat or electricity generated it will be considered a dead world.

This planet I speak of has been in this condition a long time, for there are immense cracks in it that extend great distances. Later they will open wider and the force exerted by the friction against the projections that appear, will push it off and it will fall apart, thereafter wandering in the sky as a comet.

A planet in this condition has lost all its functions and dissipated all its powers, it is simply cold and barren rocks, although at one time there may have been much vegetation and very much water. But all these are gone and solidification is setting in rapidly. This is the manner in which the planets of all creations deteriorate and pass away.

CHAPTER VII

Everything passes through its cycle of time be it long or short, even the mind. However, its duration is so inconceivably long that men refuse to consider it. But the cycle of creation, its beginning and its end is within the memory of Mental man, they have observed the formation of suns and planets and have witnessed their deterioration and decay. When the forces of decay can go no further reaction sets in, things reverse themselves and integration begins. The element electricity is always present in some degree, and the atmosphere is filled with infinitesimal particles of matter which is the dust of decaying worlds. These two together acting under favorable conditions will produce a sun or a planet.

So after a long period of darkness a second creation came into being, with a great central sun, suns of lesser magnitude, and still other smaller suns and their planets. All this was the work of nature, the operation of established laws and forces as they effect and operate on these two elements which are always present – electricity and the dust of disintegrating planets.

All the mineral elements that are found within the planet are also the work of nature. They are but different combinations of one single element, for in the beginning there was nothing but electricity and the disorganized particles of matter having neither form nor movement and regarded by those who consider them as nothing in particular.

But the water that is present on most planets, while it is produced by the operation of certain laws and forces, is dependent to a large degree on intellect who guide the elements and control the amount that is to be found on each planet. They have learned that for vegetation such as we have the land and the water should be in nearly equal proportions.

When this second creation had come into being and the planets were beginning to take form, the inhabitants of the first creation came forward with their plan as to what should appear on the surface of the planets, and what man would be like. They had conceived of an advanced race of people, one who would live on the surface of the planet enjoying the elements of the air and the substance of the soil, and be able to visualize or sense what was on the planet.

This called for something entirely different. The people of the first creation were all intellect and as such did not require sustenance of any kind, but those living on the surface of a planet would. To meet this requirement they did in the second creation what they did to a far greater extent in the third creation. They conceived of and brought into being the vegetable kingdom, which would supply physical man with everything needed. This was before they had thought of man as having a physical body of flesh.

The mind cell was caused to take lodgement in the plant and absorb from it, in addition to its sustenance, what our mind takes from physical man through the functions of the flesh, for in both instances there must be something to give the mind cell additional force, vitality, and a sense of surrounding conditions, otherwise it would not develop as a human being.

So man in the second creation was largely mental, and the intellect in its infancy drew its strength and support from the plant life that grew and expanded so rapidly. In the first creation this early help and assistance came directly from the Creator, but this help was discontinued with the first creation. So as a matter of necessity they must have some way and some place for mental man to spend the early part of his existence while the mind was developing from a mere nothing until it had gathered strength to think and reason. So they conceived that man should find his early home in the vegetable world. Hence vegetation came into being as it did in the third creation – long before man appeared.

During the long period of darkness just passed they had lost much of their vitality and power, and were confused and uncertain in much of what they proposed to do, for all this was new to them and there was nothing to show the way. However they had in mind a well developed plan. They conceived that there should be vegetation on the planet, but the details of what it would be like and how it could be propagated and maintained was a problem hard to solve. Before vegetation can appear the conditions on the surface of the planet must be suitable for plant life, and this comes about by the breaking up of rocks and soil by the elements. The life-element peculiar to the vegetable kingdom was conceived of, and this acting upon the elements of the soil, in conjunction with the magnetic forces from within brought forth vegetation.

But at first it was very crude in form, most of it grew round in shape for that was in accord with the laws of nature. There were no trees or shrubs with leaves or flowers. Much of it grew low and was similar to the spontaneous growth that appears along the rivers and lakes of a tropical country, for the local conditions were not much different. The planet was still forming and there was much heat and magnetism present, so the vegetation matured quickly and soon passed away.

However to them the results of their efforts were most gratifying, and a notable achievement and a marked advance over what they had on their planet. They could see the possibilities of improvement and could visualize what would appear in the creation that would follow that one.

The intellects of this second creation were thought of as finding their home in certain vegetable formations, or plant life, instead of in the soil as with them. This was a marked improvement in certain ways but in others it was not. Being a part of a plant they were attached to the soil and could not go about but they were aware that this would not continue long. Their association with the planet seemed necessary for the reproduction of their young, and to enlarge their powers of comprehension, and also to show the needs of a race living on the surface of the planet instead of in it.

When they were liberated they were free to pass on and view the land of their birth, they could see what the planet was like and that they could have enjoyed much of it if they had been able to move about as we are. They had not yet gathered wisdom sufficient to allow them to pass to the spiritual world, so they dwelt for a time after they passed out of the plant into the interior of the planet. The particular time for their passing on to the other side was not as it is with us. We simply wait knowing full well that time will decide the day of our departure whether or not we are ready for the ordeal. With them it was necessary that they be prepared before going, be able to see and understand what they would meet with when they arrived on the other side, so they entered the spirit land at about the fifth plane.

This seems to be the case with all races who never had the experience of physical life on a planet. They lack certain information as to the workings of physical nature, and the experience of contact with others in physical life, so that what they lack in experience they must learn in theory. With us it was intended that we would learn of all the things we would need on the other side in a long physical life on a planet. But this was and is one of their greatest disappointments, we invariably fail to do this, and when we pass over we must begin on the first plane and learn what those who are all intellect, learned before they passed on.

Those of this second creation, some of whom you will hear from later, believed that this creation was influenced more by the direct will of the Creator than by the inhabitants of the first creation. They believed that these were not strong enough of mind and lacked the experience of those in the physical to do all that was done, and that instead it was the Creator who planned a large part of this. They could see the workings of laws and forces that seemed beyond the abilities of men, even though they were aware that the Creator works through those below Him and not direct. The life-elements come from Him to be sure, but they pass through those below Him who supply us according to our needs. So they may be mistaken, and that what appeared in the second creation was made by the people of the first even though they were all intellect and of little personal experience.

In time the generation of magnetism by the planets themselves fell so low that the planet would no longer produce spontaneous vegetable life or even maintain much of what was in existence. So intellect passed out of the vegetable and into the substance of the planet, there to come in touch with forces and conditions in keeping with its development.

Their intellects were quickened and they could understand what they should do to advance themselves still further. In one way they were not like those of the first creation, for they were divided into male and female and were not in one as those of the first creation were.

This creation endured for a long time but like the first one, finally burned itself out, for the atoms of which it was made each passed through its cycle of time and disappeared. The first noticeable change in the vegetation was, that it withered and decayed when the magnetism that produced it, failed to supply what was needed, thus one species after another passed away. Then came the lessening of the heat and electrical forces from the sun and from the interior of the planet. When there is no magnetism generated by the planet itself the forces that hold it together will no longer operate and it becomes a dead world, soon to break up and wander in the sky until dissolved by the elements.

Long before this had taken place the inhabitants of the planets had moved to the spiritual planes to mingle with those of other planets. Their experience on a planet was but the first step in their existence that was to continue on for ages.

When it became evident that this creation would soon pass away as the one before it had done, the Creator proclaimed that there should always be life and light and force in existence. For during the long night of darkness he had passed through, the force and energy that gave him his powers were to a large extent dissipated, and He remained in comparative inactivity until the cycle of nature would restore things as they were.

That this darkness might never again overtake them He conceived that another universe should come into being when the one then in existence was part way through its cycle, in order that there would always be light and life. I am told that there is another creation in a far distant part of the firmament, and that it is part way through its cycle. It is much further along than we are but still functioning and the people there are very similar to our own. When darkness came over those of the second creation they moved to this new location where there was light and strength to carry on their meditations.

All material things in nature are divided into two classes. Those which are positive are considered as live matter, and those which are negative are regarded as dead or inactive matter. The particles of all positive material are in constant motion, the atoms of which they are made up rotate on their axis, and the force that causes all this electricity, guided to a large extent by intellect.

So there are four distinct kingdoms in nature each dominated by a different life-element, these produce and maintain activity or life. The first one is the mineral kingdom which includes the soil. This is animated by high-frequency electricity, which is electricity under pressure. It is generated by the planet itself, and causes every particle of matter to be in constant motion, unless it has burned itself out and is dead matter. When the planet becomes over-impregnated with this electricity, the over-flow passes on to the pole-star together with the currents of low-frequency electricity that continually comes to us from the sun [we call these Alfvén waves].

The life-element peculiar to the vegetable kingdom is electricity also, but low-frequency, it is not under pressure. This electricity comes from the sun, we notice it in the sunshine, it unites with and takes up in a small way, high-frequency electricity from the soil, and along with this come the mineral elements needed by the plant. When the low-frequency electricity from the sun comes in contact with the high-frequency electricity of the earth it produces a condition of warmth and activity, thereby creating the proper conditions needed for the full growth of vegetation.

The third kingdom is that of man and the animals, all living things with bodies of flesh. This life-element is made up of the low-frequency from the sun and the high-frequency from the earth, and the two in combination with the will and desires of those above, which is the dominant part of this life-element, produces life. All these elements acting together create an active and constant force.

The fourth kingdom is that of the mind. We know little of this for it functions largely on the mental planes above. However it animates our mental faculties and enlarges our powers of conception, thus enabling us to conceive and consider the things we would like to know. This is made up of high-frequency of the earth and the thought emanation from those on the other side.

These elements when guided by intellect, bring into being all things of a special nature or design. The things you see on a planet in their crude and natural shape, such as the rocks and the soil, are purely the products of nature brought into being without the help or hindrance of man, they are found in all manner of odd and irregular shapes. But all you see that has special harmony and of symmetrical and regular form, was made by the aid of man's mentality some one who at one time was just like you.

These life-elements are the most important things we can hold in our mind. They are the connecting link between us and the one who brought us into being, and who maintains our existence.

Perhaps some of our readers will believe that what they have just read of the second creation is legendary or traditional, that it has largely passed out of the minds and memory of those who lived there at that time and is forgotten, but this is not true, they do not forget like we do. One of this creation will tell you of his life and the conditions of the planet on which he lived.

I am pleased my friend to be able to tell your people of the planet on which I lived. It has long since moldered into dust and disappeared, but the memory of it and the conditions of that time are still in the minds of those who lived there, even though this was a very long time ago.

We were of the vegetable creation, that is, the mind cell found lodgement in plant life instead of in the rocks as it did in the creation before us. On the planet on which I lived there was much water and man was of a very low development physically. This was the natural result of a surplus of ozone in the air and a dearth of the elements that build up the physical things. So the vegetation was small and crude compared with what you have. There were no beautiful flowers or stately trees or grass to cover the ground, but instead the vegetation grew low and mostly round in shape.

There was much magnetism generated within the planet so the vegetation grew rapidly but its endurance was very brief. It was long enough, however, that we had time to consider our conditions, time for our minds to develop sufficiently to allow us to think, reason and speculate where we would go from where we were, and to prepare for whatever changes would come.

Our minds developed rapidly and soon came to a state of refinement where we could pass out of the parent shell and into the substance of the planet, where it came in contact with more favorable conditions, there to remain for a time. When we arrived at this state we were free to pass about and view the land of our birth. We could see there was much we could have enjoyed if we had been able to move about and make use of what there was on the planet. And we could see that if it was possible to make what we had, it would be possible to clothe the planets of the next creation in a vegetation that would be the height of perfection. It was also plain to us that man could be of an advanced order and far beyond anything we could conceive of at that time.

In time we advanced to a high degree of intellectual attainment, for to develop the mind was all there was for us to do. It was necessary that we prepare ourselves before we could pass on, the laws and conditions of the spiritual planes made it so. When we were able to put all local conditions from us, and could understand the admonitions from above, we gravitated on to the spiritual planes.

In time the planet began to solidify, and the electrical forces within lost much of their potency, the vegetation on the planet withered and passed away, and after a long time the planet and all the others of this creation and their suns, passed through their cycle of time and disappeared.

CHAPTER VIII

We now come to the consideration of the third creation, the one in which we live. There is little comparison between this one and the others, for the intellects of those who brought this about was added to by reason of millions of years of experience during the advent and decay of the previous creation. We with our limited powers of comprehension are not able to visualize what actually took place, and do not realize or appreciate what was done that man could live in a world where everything was perfect save the mental man. It would seem when men pause to meditate over

what could be and what should be, that they would be overcome with humiliation and remorse. They must realize that the thoughts of all men are largely on self, upon the pleasures and comforts of a physical life, ignoring the general welfare of others, and failing to do reverence to those who provide all things.

Those who brought the people of this creation into being, freely admit that they were and are, disappointed and mistaken in what men would do when left to themselves. They now believe they should have enlarged the faculties of appreciation and gratitude, causing men to realize what was done for them, and stimulating a desire on their part to do something in return for all that was so generously bestowed upon them.

It would be well for those who read to give this their sincere consideration, remembering that everything on our planet was made especially for you and others like you. That you may realize the extent of this effort, we will follow through the acts and events from the beginning of our creation.

The third creation is far in advance of what the others were inasmuch as the intellects of those who brought it into being, included [ing] the Creator, was very much greater than was manifest in the other creations, for He had brought into being many laws and conditions affecting all things, so it was possible to enlarge upon the conditions of the previous creation. Hence everything in the animal and vegetable kingdoms appear to us as being perfect in all ways.

What is to appear on a planet when it is ready to receive it, is planned and brought into being in ethereal form, far in advance of the time it will be needed, and in this way they can see how the laws and forces will operate when applied to physical things on a planet, as well as the opportunity to make changes and corrections.

The celestial bodies of this creation were the result of general laws and were in all respects the same as those of former creations, but what appeared on the planets was entirely different. The evolution of intellect had carried men on in their conceptions of what could be, they were in close touch with the Creator and could understand and feel the forces of evolution that came to them from the great center of all activity.

When the second creation disappeared and darkness came over the celestial sphere, nothing remained upon which to cast a thought. It was necessary therefore that the next generation be builded anew, for it was their intention that everything that appeared was to be as nearly perfect as they could make it. So what was made reveals to us the degree of intellect and understanding of those who dwelt on the higher planes at that time. This should remind us that men of earth are but in their infancy intellectually, but there is a reason for this, they are to begin on earth what is to be completed in the hereafter, but most of them do not realize that there is anything in particular for them to do but sit and wait.

The physical characteristics of all the planets are very much the same, man has no control over them except in the amount of water that appears on the planets. On most of them the land and water are in suitable proportions for plant life, and on most of these there is much vegetation and conditions are similar to those of our own planet. This was not true in the other two creations. There were many planets on which there never was water, hence no vegetation or physical life.

At first a planet is in nebular form or in a gaseous state with the heavier elements in the center forming a nucleus or center of attraction. In time these mineral elements collect in certain places and the electric currents from the sun pass through it from one element to another creating magnetism, this causes the planet to begin its rotation and to move out in space. When it has prescribed its orbit and is traveling further away from the source of heat and energy it begins solidifying on the outside. The material of which it is made, thickens and becomes a molten mass held together by the magnetic attraction from within. This solidification is to continue for the life of the planet.

The coolest spot on a planet was and is now, at the poles, so here is where civilization began. It was a very long time after the solidification of this area before the thickness of the earth's crust had reduced the temperature of the outside to a degree where water was formed. When this had taken place the planet was visited by rain and snow and the wind that is always present. This caused the erosion or breaking up of the rocks and soil of the planet sufficient for plant life to form.

Those who were responsible for all that appeared in our creation are the ones who lived in the second creation. When they came into being their minds found a habitation on the planet in the scant vegetation of that time, and while it was very brief, it was long enough to cause them to see what could be on a new planet where everything was favorable to bring into being anything they could conceive of.

These new laws and conditions conceived of by the Creator, made it possible to do what could not be done in the preceding creation. They believed that man would appear in due time, and that he would live on the surface of the planet and be able to pass from place to place, and would build all manner of things of a physical nature according to his mental conceptions.

But first they must prepare the planet for his reception. He and the races that would come after him must have everything needed for their sustenance if they were to endure, for at first they would be helpless, without intellect of a comprehensive nature, and with no one to guide them. It seemed necessary that at first man should be of the vegetable kingdom, taking his sustenance from the plant, and that he would continue to do this when he evolved to the status of the animal. Therefore it was necessary that the vegetation be as nearly complete as possible.

When the rocks and soil of a planet disintegrates and becomes sufficiently pulverized, vegetation will appear. At first it was of a spontaneous origin growing in odd and irregular forms, all according to local conditions. When it began to appear those who were waiting, took over and proceeded to clothe the planet with all that had been prepared for the use and benefit of man. Vegetation of spontaneous growth continued to appear on all the planets to some extent and does even to this day, but on all the planets most of it was conceived of by man.

The appearance of man in our creation was much different from what it was in the previous creations because of the evolutionary ideas of those above. They conceived that man would first be of the vegetable kingdom, for they could think of no other manner of propagating life on a planet. But this would be of short duration for he was soon to pass on in his evolution. By making use of the new life-element they had conceived of, they were able to change the vegetable to form a new element or substance. Thereafter man and all living things of his nature had a body of flesh.

They considered this needful for they had planned long before that man should be so constituted that he could pass freely from place to place, and that he should have the means of building from physical things what he needed, for they were to live their lives in all manner of places and be subject to the hazards of nature.

When physical men passed from the vegetable to the animal kingdom, and new functions of the body were established, it was necessary that those above have some way of governing their acts and bodily functions, and of regulating the elements necessary for their existence. Hence the animal mind. Through this all functions of the physical body of the animals as well as all the functions of the physical organs of man, are controlled by those on the super-planes. This intellect carried the human race on until it was well developed as men. Then those above caused the human mind element to enter and man began the upward path.

The first habitation on our planet was in a land lying not far from the poles, and from their description of the country, and their beliefs and mode of life, it seems that they were as far advanced as some races of our day, so our ideas of the civilizations of the past are faulty in the

extreme. From this it would seem that we have made little advancement in the field of pure mentality.

The land where these people lived was at that time a tropical country as is verified by the vast numbers of elephant tusks found in the Arctic Circle. In time the solidification of the planet reached to the equator, and at a later period vegetation covered all the planet and races of men followed.

In the early part of man's existence his sustenance was entirely of the vegetable kingdom and there was an endless variety to choose from. But later when the people spread to unfavorable areas where the vegetation was limited, it was found necessary to supply in another manner, what nature did not, hence the animal creation came into being. At first the animals were few and what was needed for specific purposes, but later there seemed to be no reason why the planet could not be populated with all manner of animals. They could take their sustenance from the vegetation that grew everywhere conditions were favorable, and those that could not, would prey upon the rapidly multiplying species that would in time over-populate certain areas. So the animals, the birds and the fishes came into being to make of the planet an ideal home for man, and an example of what the intellects of men could do in carrying forward the evolution of all things.

Let us turn back to the time when the vegetable kingdom was fully established on the planets and everything was in readiness for the advent of man. Those above willed that he should appear in the only way it seemed possible, by first being part of the vegetable kingdom, and later to change to the animal, and then to become a human being or man as we know him now.

They conceived that in the early part of his existence there must be some way of controlling and directing his early formation, then his acts and habits of life until he was able to care for himself. And this was equally true of the animals and all living things, they must also have guidance from above or they could not endure. This was supplied in the animal mind-element.

This element is a low order of intellect and comes from those who have charge of the entity itself, its formation as well as its activities. It is a sort of automatic control over the functions of the bodies of all living creatures. Through this life-element all the people and every other living thing with bodies of flesh, came into being and matured as conceived.

Man has nothing to do with this element except to follow out the wishes and suggestions from those above, hence the people all over the world and on all the planets, live and do very much the same. Now this plan was absolutely necessary, any other arrangement would have resulted in failure. This life-element has a greater latitude in man than in the animal because of man's physical makeup, hence his superiority over the animals.

The growth of intellect is similar to the growth of physical man. There comes a time when each [both] are able to take over and care for themselves without assistance from others. With the infant, much is forced on its mind by the spiritual parent, so it is hard to say just when the human or advanced intellect enters. This could be properly summed up as the time when we began the application of force to the mind causing it to act, as we do when we think and reason, this would be considered as our own personal act.

So it holds that human intellect is the direct opposite of the animal intellect, for it is entirely under the supervision of the people themselves, and it is necessarily so, for man is to forever continue his search for knowledge and wisdom. He is to do this himself and what he finally accomplishes depends upon his personal efforts.

Inasmuch as everything on the planets, and physical man himself, has attained perfection, it was believed by those above that he could see this, and would note that he was not morally perfect or all wise, and would conclude that all this was left to him.

Those on the higher planes were out of touch with the people of the planets and knew nothing of their advancement intellectually. They presumed they were well on the way, but it seems that

so far as the capacities of the mind and intellect are concerned, they are where they were in the far distant past. This was a great disappointment to them, although in a way they were aware of it from the condition of those who come over.

During all this time they had been doing what they could by mental impression to cause us to see the need of developing the mind, but they could reach only a very small part of the people, and they failed to understand what was needed. In the vegetable kingdom and in the animal creation is to be found everything we need, and with this man has accomplished much, but in his intellectual development he has a very long way to go. He will soon realize that this is the part he is to play in the great scheme of creation. He is to bring himself to perfection in a mental way.

CHAPTER IX

Let us review the early history of man. At first he was but a part of a plant growing in a tropical country. Certain cells of this plant on account of their rapid development, became segregated from the parent stem and floated away. These were considered the most suitable so they were caused to come in contact with the animal-life element, they responded to this higher rate of activity and became animal matter instead of vegetable. Now this process of changing from the vegetable to the animal is very simple, for we eat the vegetable and build the flesh, this is simply a change in the life-elements. This entity readily responded to the influence of those above and following the plans and patterns conceived for him, after a long time came to be a man. But in the first part of his existence he possessed only the animal-mind element, which deals with pure animal nature. When he was more fully matured the human mind element entered and he was on the way to become a man.

Man has two kinds of mentalities but the animal has only one. The animal kingdom in all its branches including physical man, is under the supervision of those on the highest super-plane. They are responsible for the physical form and functions of the body as well as furnishing the intellect necessary for their physical well being, and no more. So those of our own people who are devoid of human intellect, the feeble minded and the idiot, are able to attend to their physical wants as a rule. It is a sad condition that many poor mortals do not rise much above this status, all because of their environment. With them there is nothing to call forth an effort of the mind, and the mind will not act unless there is physical force exerted. There must be a reason for acting and a desire to cause the mind to act, or it is not done, so very many use only the animal mind.

Then there is the human intellect that comes from another super-plane, and which differentiates man from the animal. This enables him to think and reason and to return each day to what he did the day before. This is not another mind, but advanced intellect, another mind element coming from the Creator, but it comes through others. This human life-element is from the fourth super-plane instead of the fifth. It is manifest in many ways, in the desire for better things, for knowledge, learning, and all the things that tend to make man what he should be. But it is a sad condition that men pay little attention to this thought influence that comes to him. He does not even recognize the dictates of conscience or the promptings of his better judgment. He has heard of these and knows that there are supposed to be such things, and with most men there the matter rests. He does not know that both of these admonitions come from different groups of intellects on the other side, whose sole duty and purpose is to warn men of the things they should do and the things they should not do.

We should here pause to consider that man on earth is two people in one. The physical cell, which is the product of male and female supplying the necessary positive and negative elements, must have a home in which to live until it is sufficiently developed to act for itself. When the

early part of this human incubation is over the infant comes into the world entirely helpless and must be cared for by others. The life-elements causing physical man to mature comes from one plane while that of the human intellect comes from another.

The cell of mental material that is to make the other part of man, is also the product of male and female, but these are on the higher spiritual planes. They are all intellect and this cell is the effervescence of thought thrown off when two people of opposite polarity think and believe exactly alike.

If this cell is to grow and become a mental man it also must have a home, a place where it can develop and mature to a condition where it can understand all the things it will come in contact with when it finally passes to the spiritual planes. That is the goal and the reason for its apprenticeship on earth, otherwise it could not exist.

The life-element peculiar to this mental cell is entirely different from that of the physical cell, it comes from another plane. So while these two are entirely different, they remain together as one during the physical life by reason of their harmonious union and the independent action between them, for all the physical activities of the organs of the body are involuntary, and not dependent upon the voluntary acts of the mind.

So the human mind lives there but it has nothing to do with the physical functions of the body which are controlled and cared for by the animal mind element. This cell of mentality has attracted to and attached itself to the unborn infant because the vibratory activity of the mind cell was the same as the vibratory activity of the brain cell of the infant. When this cell becomes attached it takes on a rhythmic harmony that endures as long as the physical life exists. It needs the force of the physical body to cause it to act, so it is dependent upon the physical body even though it has nothing to do with regulating its functions.

Nature intended that this intellect would enjoy its physical home and increase its store of knowledge and take on the evolutionary ways of the world, thus preparing itself to enter into associations with others who had done the same. So it is that the physical body is only a vehicle for the mind, something to carry it about thus enabling it to come in contact with other men and to see and know of the interesting events as they transpire.

Those who made man believed that he could see that his life as a physical being was little different from anything else that appeared upon the planet – here for a time and then to pass away. That he would note also that a large part of those who come pass on in infancy or early life and are denied the pleasures and experience of early life as a physical being. He would naturally conclude that there must be another state of existence where those needing it could learn of the things they missed while on earth. This applies to all who pass on.

The physical body as presented to man was perfect and complete, he must accept it as it is. But that was not true of the mind, the intellect. All that was given him was a starter, a beginning, he is free to fashion it according to his efforts and inclinations. His days on earth are numbered, but even though he live out his allotted time and is studious and observing that is not long enough to bring him to the same status as those he will meet when he passes over. Those who made him believed he could see all this. But they were grievously disappointed for the allurements of the physical life caused men to procrastinate and later come to the sad realization that it was too late.

Early human life on the planet was made possible by the over-magnetized condition of the planet. This same condition brought forth spontaneous vegetation and accounts for the great number of different plants and trees that appeared on the planets. Many of these disappeared when the magnetic forces subsided, but many could adjust themselves to changing climatic conditions.

But human life when once propagated had the continual help and assistance of those on the other side, so they continued to exist under adverse conditions. They first appeared where it

was most favorable for plant life, and passed from the vegetable to the animal, requiring a long time to come to the state where they could reproduce themselves and exist as individual beings. Evolution has changed conditions, human life now comes to us in a very short time, and we are to assume the responsibilities of shaping the course it will take, physically and mentally, both here and in the here-after.

Many men believe that man evolved from the animal creation, but this is not true. Animals were thought of and brought into being to supply man with the things the vegetable kingdom did not, so they came into being long after man made his appearance on the planets. When the animal creation was once started all kinds of physical creatures came into being, some of them as the result of spontaneous life, but more of them conceived of by those on the spiritual planes. They were intended to fill every conceivable need of the expanding races of men.

The fish and the birds were also the result of the fertile imagination of those above, many groups vying with each other to make the planet the height of perfection of all celestial things. What was written of the animal creation was equally true of the vegetable kingdom. When those above saw that they had the power to produce vegetation according to their mental conceptions, there was no end of variation of what appeared on the planets. The spontaneous growth was very profuse, but they were able to improve or add to much of this, and if you will stop to think there is very little of the vegetable kingdom that man has not put to use.

The floral kingdom was intended for the gratification and pleasure of the people. The endless variety of color and arrangement was designed to hold the attention of man and cause him to wonder why all these things were made as they are, and how all the various hues and forms could be so perfect and pleasing.

They believed the fruits and the flowers would be enough to cause man to turn his thoughts on high and wonder why those above made all these things, or whether they just happened to be that way. But they were disappointed in this for from the earliest ages down to the present time the people seeing all these things in their abundance and in their perfection, believed that all this was made by the proclaiming of some law by the Creator, so they gave it no special concern.

Now the people can see the real reason for all this, that it came into being by the will and desire of millions of individuals who at one time were very much the same as we are. It was their unselfish desires and their sense of duty, that caused them to do what was done.

Those above believed the races of people they were bringing into being could be controlled by the force of thought from above, for they had control of all the life-elements. So when the people had advanced to the condition where they could think and reason those above attempted to force upon their minds as much as could be readily understood and accepted. It seemed that inasmuch as the people all came into being by the same means, and by the same forces from above, and that when they passed on they would all go to the same place, and receive the same treatment, they should be considered as one family. This parental concern forced upon their minds by those above, should cause them to desire to live in peace and harmony with each other.

This was true to a large extent for a long time. But later they lost influence over the people who wandered away to the extent that at the present time the human race has very largely lost contact with those above them, and now live in a world of their own making. However, many people unconsciously absorb some of the mental influence by which those above have sought to lead the people aright. Those who have the natural inclinations are endeavoring to do all things well, but they do not know from whence come these mental admonitions they unconsciously obey.

They believe all they do is the result of their own ideas and their own decisions. However the great mass of the people are not susceptible to mental influence of any kind, they simply follow their own inclinations and are influenced by what others do.

CHAPTER X

In the chapter just finished we have made little mention of the physical characteristics of the planets. This was reserved for one who is particularly qualified to speak. What he tells us will in some instances be at variance with the theories of our astronomers, nevertheless this is authentic for he can go and see for himself. What he tells us of our own planet is perhaps duplicated in many others, so it will suffice for all. This was dictated to me with the intention that it would be passed on to the people when occasion presented itself. I hope you will be pleased with the message he brings you.

My friend, I am to tell you of the planets of your solar system. The beginning of your planet was the same as with all others, simply the attraction of a larger particle of matter for a smaller one. The union of the two attracted others and in time a world was formed. The particles of which it was composed were unconfined, they moved freely and rapidly and generated much magnetism which changed the dead matter it had attracted into gases. In time the electrical forces attracted metals or the elements of which metals are composed, arranging them into groups each according to its polarity. The electrical currents passing from one to another produced a condition similar to that of a galvanic battery. These forces in time, acting with others, caused the planet to begin its rotation.

Thus we have the negative and positive poles of the earth, for you are aware the south pole is positive and the north pole is negative. When this condition was once established the earth was what you would call a fully developed world. All this occupied millions of years of time and it was only after it had sufficiently solidified that it could function as a world, that is, that it attained its regular motion and had a prescribed orbit.

A planet is held in place or its orbit [is] determined by the forces of attraction and repulsion between it and the sun. Its speed is regulated by the attraction and repulsion between it and the other planets it encounters in its journey around the sun. So it happens that no two planets are just alike. The earth is much warmer than any of the other planets [in the existence plane where the people are, or maybe he means deep inside], for on none of them are there volcanoes and earthquakes as on the earth. All this disturbance is caused by the expanding of the heated mass within, and this is caused by the excessive amount of [radioactive] minerals within the planet.

Further explanation of the polarity of matter is needed. Every atom of matter in the universe has both poles at the same time, that is, it is made up of both positive and negative material, hence it is that a particle of matter is positive and it is negative, and the individual atom attracts or repels according to the preponderance of its [paramagnetic or diamagnetic] polarity, and this is equally true of celestial things. There are many planets more positive [paramagnetic] than others, and they attract or repel all other planets passing through their field. The earth is one of the most positive planets we know anything about [since most of her minerals are paramagnetic rather than diamagnetic].

When the earth first began to rotate it began to generate and store electricity or magnetism, and my friends tell me that they noticed immense clouds of what you might term electrical force, arise and envelope the whole, and in a little while all this began to subside and then they knew that the world was on its way as a planet. Those who could observe it were curious to know where it was going.

By watching they soon saw that it was prescribing an orbit for itself, and as it moved away in space it left a trail of light behind it to mark the way. This light was a part of the enormous heat generated by its rapid rotation. As it moved through space it gathered all in its train for a time, that is, until the outside began to be encrusted as it were, solidified to the extent that gases would

not mix with it. When all this had taken place and the earth was well on her journey, a strange thing happened. You would not suppose that a world in this state of development would explode and fly into dust, but that was what it did and great was the commotion it caused, for this was visible for a long way. This explosion was caused by the too rapid solidifying of the exterior of the earth. It so happened that the earth chose for its orbit a tract lying so far away from the sun that the exterior solidified rapidly and what happened was the natural result. When this had taken place the earth was about as it was when it first began its rotation, but shortly after this event it began to rotate again.

The size of the orbit is governed by the amount of magnetism generated by the planet itself and the density of the planet, and by this I mean the amount of mineral elements it contains. When the earth started on its journey a second time it chose an orbit closer to the sun for now conditions were different [especially total mass, magnetic field and cooler paramagnetic mineral levels]. When we refer to Saturn [where in effect Earth may have been brought through a Portal of Saturn from Sirius] you will understand why they were different.

When the earth prescribed its orbit and solidified on the outside to the extent that it grew no more from this source [of gathering all the gaseous particles in its train], all the changes taking place in the planet were naturally within. The mineral elements of which it is composed began to solidify and form themselves into groups for we have iron in one place and gold in another and so on. So naturally the positive was in one place and the negative in another. The electrical currents passing from one of these to another caused much electrical disturbance in the way of electrical phenomena.

You have noticed this occasionally at the north pole in the Aurora Borealis. In the early ages of the world there was much of this for it was present in different parts of the world [having many isolated N poles=etheric current sources]. But after the earth's crust became thicker all this disappeared and all you see now is at the [one] north pole. You may wonder why it is seen there. The north pole is the negative end of the earth so to speak. The [etheric] electrical currents that pass through the earth by way of the south pole, pass out at the north pole and on in their journey to the pole-star, so you would naturally expect to see more of it there.

Now that I have mentioned the pole-star I will state that it is one of the most important bodies in the universe. It is little understood and as a rule seldom referred to, except that our compasses point to it, and we know that the axis of our planet [so the speaker also originated from earth] point to it at all times.

You cannot comprehend the immensity of the pole-star, it is so large that the earth would be as a grain of sand compared to it. It is a planet and not a sun as many believe, but has only an electrical attraction for our planets. The forces of repulsion are about equal to the forces of attraction so we do not get the effects of close proximity to another [immense] planet.

To aid you in solving some of your problems I will speak of a law that I have not yet mentioned. It is a very important one as you will soon discover and is very ancient with us. "Every particle of negative matter in the universe neutralizes or equalizes the vibratory activity of every other particle of like polarity and similar substance in proportion to the square of their distance, and every positive matter in the universe neutralizes or equalizes the vibratory activity of every other particle of like polarity and similar substance in proportion to the square of their distance."

You can readily see the importance of these laws for it will explain how it is that the particles of any particular part of a tree for instance, are all the same yet some parts have a higher rate of vibratory activity than others. In this instance the leaves push out ahead of the other parts because they have a higher rate of vibratory activity but the activity of the individual leaves are all equalized, hence they all come out at the same time. This also explains how it is that when you fertilize the soil it responds to what is added, for there is an equalization of the vibratory

activity of all the particles mixed together. The activity of the particles is raised by applying that which has a greater activity.

There are certain earth conditions that are not understood by the people. At regular times in the year the trees put forth their leaves, and at other times the fruit matures, and although some of it may be much later in its growth than others they all mature about the same time. All this is caused by the electrical currents running in different directions at different times in the year.

If you examine a globe you will see readily that the poles of the earth point in different directions at different seasons of the year. At certain times the electric currents that flow from the sun through the earth and on to the pole-star, are running from south to north, and at other times they are running from north to south, and at others they are midway between the two, hence the conditions vary and at certain times they are reversed.

It is the general belief that the earth revolves around the sun in an elliptic orbit, but this is not true. The earth does not travel in an elliptical orbit, but it travels in a circle. All the universe is a circle and nothing is elliptical in nature, it could not be any more than it could be square. Everything in nature is round, and if you will stop to consider you will see the reason for all things being that way, and that the laws of nature make it so. If the earth had an elliptical orbit it would be farther away from the sun at one time than at another, and there would be some ever-changing force or power that would cause this. The solution of this is found in the fact that there must be a center of attraction to hold together the particles of which anything is made, and that attraction is equal in all directions.

Referring to another irregularity, why do you not see the sun in the same place each morning and evening, except the natural distance it would travel in its journey north and south? Also, why do you see the moon farther north at certain times than at others? Here is something entirely different. Why do you not see the sun rise at exactly the same time that you did the day before? The sun is not always on time, it is not regular, for some days it is late or early as the case may be.

I will now speak of something I had not intended to mention, but the one who writes has guessed the solution so I may as well explain here. There is an unknown planet close to the earth whose own revolutions cause these irregularities, so you can see why the earth wobbles, so to speak, when it rotates. You may doubt this but if you will look toward the sun when it is at its meridian height you will discover this planet.

I will speak briefly of the planet Saturn. I explained that this planet was the other half of the earth, but that is not exactly true because of the unchanging laws of nature. When the earth exploded so to speak, a peculiar condition followed, for the dynamic center or the part which was composed of the positive and negative minerals was naturally near the center. It was the part that formed the earth, while the part composed of the vaporous gases and the dross was what composed Saturn. This part was forced far away and as it was in gaseous form it had no center of attraction so it remained away. In time the remaining mineral elements came together according to their polarity, and the electric currents from the sun passing through it caused the planet to begin to rotate.

But it never did and it never will rotate any faster than it does now, for the reason that there are few minerals in it, there is not the material present to form a galvanic battery, if you wish to think of it as that. Saturn is one of those planets that has no water on its surface, it revolves so slowly that one side is plastic and the other side is frigid, so there is a certain amount of dross thrown off at all times. This may account for the rings that encircle her.

What I now say of Saturn is not in accord with your science, nevertheless it is true. Saturn is not far from the sun, and its orbit is not very much larger than that of your planet. It revolves around the sun in about a year. I say about for the reason that it varies considerable, and the

reason for this is, that in its journey around its orbit a certain attraction, which it comes in contact with, retards its movements hence the period of its rotation is not always constant.

If your scientists will take the trouble to investigate they will see what it is that retards Saturn in her journey around the sun. If they would turn their telescopes to this planet when we are in conjunction, they would see another planet close by which they have not seen before. This planet has been there a long time and is very old, but its close proximity to Saturn has caused it to be overlooked for it cannot be seen except at this time.

CHAPTER XI

This morning I will speak of the planets and the ways and habits of the people who inhabit them. Jupiter is the largest, at one time it had a population much larger than you have, living in cities and in the country much as you do. They had a wonderful system of irrigation and intensive agriculture making use of the elements of electricity and uranium. You may not know that uranium is one of the most potent factors in the growth of plant life, some day your scientists will discover this. The people lived for many thousands of years as a happy and contented race. They had great schools and knew of the laws of nature and also of the great moral laws that govern the intellects of men, and practiced this to the fullest extent. As the conditions of the planet changed they changed also and you see them as they are today. One of these will now speak, he will describe the conditions on Jupiter as they existed in the past and as they are now. I hope you will be able to understand him.

My friend I am speaking to you from the planet Yohoma, and will be pleased to tell you of the conditions here, and shall ask you some questions also. I am not like you, for I do not have a physical body, I am just mind and no more. I live in the rocks and the soil and am of an electrical nature. At one time in the past we were as you are now, but that was long ago and all we know about it is what we have been told. When our planet was new there was much vegetation on it and I presume we lived very much the same as you do now, for the conditions of the planet must have been very similar to those of your planet. But conditions have changed so completely that there are no living things upon the surface of the planet. As to the change I do not know much about it, the change was gradual and all we have learned of this is traditional.

The social and intellectual refinement of the people is I imagine much like yours. True we do not have physical things but we see them with the mind and the result is much the same as it is with you. We have systems of learning, teach each other to do many things, such as to rear the young as well as to educate them, and in most ways I imagine we are not much different from you. As to the mind or intellect it is about the same everywhere, and this may be the reason why we do many things like you do.

As to the planet, it is very old and is almost burned out. That is, there is no heat within and no water upon the surface, nor is there vegetation of any description, it is what you would call a dead world. You ask of our beliefs. We do not worship anyone, we revere a Creator and try to appreciate all he does for us. I am very much pleased to have the opportunity of speaking with you, and pleased that you told me what you did. I hope to meet you again for there is much more to be said.

The planet Mars is not far away and you have been trying to signal them but you will never get results from this for there are no people there. A once populous and flourishing race went down in darkness and disappeared. All this happened long ago and the memory of it is almost faded from the minds of those who lived there at that time.

The beginning of this race was much as it has been with all other races, and in time they evolved to a high state of civilization. But later they disappeared as have many other races, for everything passes through its cycle of time. These people were not as wise as the people of Jupiter for they did not practice the great ethical and moral laws so necessary to perpetuate a race. They lived in the physical only and simply deteriorated and disappeared.

Mercury is a planet you do not seem to know much about. It is one of your most important planets for it is about the same distance from the sun as you are and revolves on its axis in about the same length of time as you do. But you of earth have come to believe that it is much closer than you are. Because its orbit is on another plane your calculations are faulty in this respect.

The climatic conditions on Mercury are not much different from what they are with you. The planet has much vegetation and a season similar to your own, as it revolves on its axis in about the same length of time that your planet does, although this is not in accord with your understanding of it. The location of the planet is so nearly like yours that there is a great similarity in what is found on the planet. There is much water and a heavy vegetation, consequently all manner of plant life as well as animals and birds thrive there.

A race of people lives there that is most interesting, not like the people of our planet but in many ways resembling them. So far as the form and figure are concerned there is a marked similarity, but in mode and manner of action they differ. These people live under different conditions for it is very warm there in the summer months, so they spend much of their time in the water to protect themselves from the excessive heat.

As to their intellects they are far superior to the people of earth. They have great schools and places of learning, and practice all the arts, and know much of the sciences, and as far as real civilization is concerned they are much farther along than you are. They have a belief in a Deity the same as the people of earth, but they have no special mode of worship. They recognize the works of nature as the height of perfection and see in it the design of the Creator, so they worship and reverence Him through this, inasmuch as they imitate nature in all they do. Hence they have builded elaborate edifices, and have conceived of beautiful parks planted with all the choicest trees and flowers, and in all have a most beautiful place to live.

This race of people is very old for they can trace their lineage back to a very remote time. There has never been war or pillage on this planet as on your own for the people are too wise for that. They all dwell now, and have dwelt at all times in the past, in perfect unity, hence they have preserved what they have learned and have continually added to it. As a result they have advanced to a very high degree of culture. You will go with me to one living there who will tell you of his people and his planet.

Some one speaks to me but I do not understand how this can be done. However I note that it is a reality and that you understand me perfectly. I am surprised that you can come to me from a planet even though I have been informed that you would. I am told that your people are very much the same as we are, that you dwell in houses and have cities and very many other things of an advanced order. Now we have much of this, and I am sure we have some things you do not, for we are far advanced in what you term civilization. No doubt you can see our land in imagination, but I am sure you cannot comprehend what it is really like, nor can we for there is much hidden from our sight. It is so vast that we have as yet explored but a part of it. Many of our people live on the land, some dwell in cities and some close to the ocean. There are some who have gone far inland and dwell a long way off, but we know little about these for we see them seldom.

Where I live they are agriculturists and produce all manner of grain and fruit and keep many animals. We have many schools and teach all things we can see are needed. There are many skilled men some of them build large buildings. These are very learned and we look to them for advice. No, we do not speak by way of the air, but we have something else that takes its place.

We are experts with the element electricity and have a way by which we can learn of an event at any time in any part of the land. We also have a way of knowing when some event will take place, such as when the planets will produce effects on our planet. We also have a way of conversing with those who are away from us. No, this is not as we now speak, it is mental however. We cannot speak so readily and it takes a long time to converse with one by this method. I will now thank you most kindly for coming and will bid you goodbye but I do so with reluctance for I am afraid you will not come again.

Venus is another most interesting planet. This is your favorite planet and has been throughout all time, for it has a sort of brilliancy that appeals to those of earth. This brilliancy is a reflection from your own planet and Venus has nothing to do with that, but she has other things to recommend her to you. She is close to the earth as you know and is favorably situated for plant life. It is strange indeed that your astronomers have not discovered signs of it, for at certain times in the year the planet is green with foliage and at other times it is covered with snow. From this you can see that the physical characteristics of a planet cannot be seen at so great a distance, hence the uncertainty of the peculiarities of any planet.

Venus revolves around the sun in about the same length of time as the earth, and rotates on her axis in about twenty hours. This is nearly correct although there is a little variation. Venus has her winters and summers as you do but they are not like yours, for when it is summer it is exceedingly warm, hence there is an immense growth of vegetation. You cannot conceive of it, it is so rank that the inhabitants move out of certain districts for the time being. Then the fall and the winter comes and all is covered with snow for Venus has an excessive fall of both rain and snow as the climatic conditions there are favorable to the condensation of moisture.

There is a very interesting race of people living there. They are much larger in size than man and have the same general form and feature, but they are not like you in their mode of living. Their planet is very much like Mercury inasmuch as it is exceedingly warm in summer, so they live in the water and in the depths of the forest when it is warm. During the remainder of the year they live much as you do, in cities and in the country, for they have wonderful roads connecting all their cities and villages. They are well along in learning but not as far advanced as the people of Mercury. They have schools and methods of learning and teach all the sciences as you know them. I am sure you would like to hear from one of the inhabitants of Venus, and I am equally sure you will be able to understand what he says to you. He will now speak.

This is indeed an unexpected pleasure, and I am overjoyed to again speak with you. I have wondered many times if I would ever come in touch with you again. Now that we can converse so readily with each other we should meet often and learn of the conditions of our people. I am sure there is much we could both learn that would be to our mutual advantage.

I will tell you something of the conditions of the people. Since last I spoke to you there has been much change. We have instituted many new devices and do many things in a different way. We are now sure that the planets are inhabited with people similar to ourselves, and we are led to believe that the conditions on many planets are similar to those on our planet. We conceive that if you can come to us, you can go to other planets and that when we learn how, we shall be able to go to them also and to you. This should set up a chain of action that would in time reach to all the planets. The results of such a condition is beyond comprehension.

With your permission I will ask some questions. What should we do to prepare ourselves to reach the people of other planets as you come to us? I understand your explanation perfectly. What do you believe would bring the most benefit to your people and mine by an interchange of thought between us? We are greatly impressed by your explanations and opinions and I can see a wonderful development that could take place as a result of a personal contact with your people.

I will speak briefly of the conditions of our planet. The conditions here are favorable for plant

life for there is an abundance of moisture. There are many people, some of them far away, but now because of our inventions we are in close communion with them. We have many schools and places of learning and are far advanced in what you would term civilization. There are many noted men in our land who devote their lives to the propagation of anything they conceive will benefit all the people. They see the good of this and seek to pass it on to others.

To us this is a most notable occasion for there are present some of our noted men who would like to speak with you that they may corroborate what I have told them. With your permission I will present one of these.

My friend, I desire to know from a personal experience if all this is as it appears to be. I note that it is so and I marvel what will come to us now that we shall be able to reach all races and all intellects throughout the universe. In this there is no effort on my part and I presume it is the same with you, so there is no reason why we cannot learn the ways of your people and of others.

This is a very notable occasion my friend, I will counsel with those here and we will compile what we believe you would like to know that it may be ready when you call again. I do not care to keep you longer but I am wondering if you believed what I told you when I spoke with you the other time. When I related that we were sure your planet was inhabited from the manner of the electrical signals and displays that came to us. What I told you then was all true.

This morning we will consider another planet – Vulcan. It is so close to you that one would suppose you would know all about it but you do not seem to know anything at all. It revolves around the sun once in about a year, and rotates on its axis in approximately six hours. As to the physical conditions of Vulcan it is very old. Age of a planet is judged not by years of time, but by the size and the amount of solidification that has taken place at any given time. It is true that many believe this planet does not exist, however it is but a question of time until someone will look in the right direction and discover its location. You must remember that these planets are very far from the earth, size and distance are therefore a matter of uncertainty. Most of them are at all times enveloped in their own atmosphere and the physical properties of the planet cannot be seen at so great a distance, hence the uncertainty of your information concerning the characteristics of the planets.

Vulcan is so close that if there were human life on it, it could be easily detected. There was a time when the planet was peopled by a race similar to your own but that was long ago and the memory of it is almost faded from the minds of those who at one time lived there. These people did nothing of an outstanding or unusual nature that would cause themselves to be remembered any great length of time so it will not be long until they will be forgotten as a race.

They were well advanced in learning but knew nothing of the great moral laws so necessary to hold together and perpetuate a race, so each lived for himself alone. In time strife and warfare came among them and they gradually went down in darkness and disappeared. This was the end of a race that might have been in existence to this day. In this discourse I hope I have made plain the creation of the planets of your solar system.

It sometimes happens that after a planet is formed and well on the way, the accumulation of gas, heat and force cause immense pressure from within the planet resulting in readjustment of the land and water thereby changing the face of the continent. Certain parts of it will sink into the sea taking with it whole races of people, then the floor of the ocean will rise up to form islands or even continents. We have a tradition of one of these, which is believed and doubted by many. To verify this I will repeat what was told me by one of these people.

This race you desire to know about inhabited an island, then a continent of which you have

read – Atlantis. Many regard this as a fiction, but it is not, it is a reality and the race who lived there were very far advanced in civilization. At first they were like all primitive races, but later by following the path we are endeavoring to point out to the people, they advanced very fast and were further along in the arts and sciences, and many things necessary to build up civilization than any other race that has lived upon the earth.

They had great schools and taught all the sciences, they were great navigators of the air as well as the water. They had great systems of irrigation so elaborate that they could change the seasons to a considerable extent by changing the water from one part of the land to another. When they were well along in civilization someone thought of the great moral and mental observance or teaching so necessary to higher civilization, and it was developed by them to a high degree of perfection. In time the people arrived at a state where they needed no laws, each did what was right because he wanted to, and not because he believed he must as is common in your day.

When they had advanced to this high state, internecine strife came among them and before they were aware of it they were quarreling among themselves; the greed and ambition, which is always present, crept in and in the end they went down and disappeared as a nation.

Now it just happened that shortly after this, the island sank into the sea to make room for another continent that was formed, and that continent was America, so you can see when this happened.

CHAPTER XII

In the preceding chapters we have been considering material things, the Celestial Bodies and all living things upon the planets. We will now pass to the mental world and consider the spiritual side of life, the great hereafter. This is something the great mass of the people know little about, they have not learned to visualize the finer divisions of matter and regard it as something real. They believe the things of earth are real, but in comparison with the great mental world their endurance is very brief indeed.

It would be well to pause here and reflect upon existing conditions. In a very short time at best we must leave all our earthly treasures and our physical self, and pass on to somewhere. So it is highly important that we consider where we are going and what we intend to do when we get there, and if we are wise it would be well to make ready for the journey. Let us begin with conditions as they seem to be now and then as they actually are.

From the earliest ages and among all races of people, from the highly civilized to the inhabitants of the frozen north, and the denizens of the jungles of the equator, and the lonely isles of the sea, the people as a whole have all believed in a hereafter. They believed they would pass on to another world on high when their life work on earth was finished. This has caused much speculation and men have wondered what this could be like and if they would ever know.

There is an inborn desire in the minds of the human race for what we call religion. This is simply the thoughts and desires which those on high spread broadcast over the world that all those who listen may hear. They began in the early ages of the world when man was young and needed the help and assistance of those who made him. It was believed by those there that through this they would be able to guide him in the paths he should go. So from that day to this all races of men have felt this admonition and held in their minds the thought that when their life work on earth was finished they would pass on to another state of existence the nature of which was simply conjecture. So they believed there was nothing for them to do but await the day of their departure.

There is another side to this. A vast part of the people are not susceptible to mental impressions from above, so they are not in touch with those there. They accept the universal belief of a

hereafter from the others and think no more about it. The most important realization that could come to the people is that this is a reality, that necessarily they must go somewhere when they are forced to pass on from where they are, and also that those who made the physical world in which man could live while young, made the world beyond where he would live on and complete the life begun on earth. So it is most necessary that we all have a complete and correct understanding of what there is on the other side of life.

What is regarded as the spiritual side of life consists of all the spiritual planes up to and including the seventh, this last one being what we call Heaven. You read in your Bible of the seventh Heaven but there is no mention made of the planes below it. A plane is a degree, or in our schools it is a grade. A degree of intelligence, and with us when the child becomes more proficient he passes on up to the next higher grade above.

Now the conditions on the other side of life are exactly the same. When those who pass over have become familiar with all there is on one plane they pass on to the next above. So it is that those who pass on regardless of who they are, go first to the receiving plane, there to be scrutinized and assisted temporarily if need be. Those who have the strength of mind to proceed, and have decided plans for the future are soon on the way, but those who have not, are removed to the sub-planes below there to await further attention. Millions are there who never advance. Later you will hear much about these.

The first seven planes are regarded by those who consider them, as the spiritual side of life, for no one knew of any other state of existence, although some claim there are two, Heaven and Hell.

These planes are in some ways similar to the earth plane. The purpose is the same but they deal with different aspects of men. That of the physical is to rear the young and maintain them during the cycle of their physical existence, fitting them to take up their real life on the other side. The same is true of the lower spiritual planes. They are for the same purpose only in an advanced degree, they are to finish prepar[ing] the individual for entrance into the higher planes. Another important fact enters here.

The intellects that were to become men were from cells that had their beginning on the higher spiritual planes, but were to develop as men on the planets. It was planned that the first part of their life would be on a planet with physical man, where the mind could develop from its infancy to a state of mental independence. That when the earth life was over it would pass on and find another home on the other side of life there to take up and carry on its development. So the lower spiritual planes are a part of a plan to provide for the well-being of the intellects who pass on from the planets to the other side of life.

It was believed that the intellect of man would develop sufficiently during his earth life, to be able to take its place and carry on in its evolution independent of assistance, when it reached the other side. But this hope and expectation failed to mature. So it was found necessary to provide the means whereby those who had the desire and inclination, but had failed to develop the mental faculties while in the physical, could learn of the things they did not see or do while on earth.

So it was decreed that there should be planes or degrees of development on the other side through which all would pass, that they may acquire the knowledge they need to help them on the way. So regardless of their previous preparation they must pass through the spiritual planes from the first to the seventh in their journey upward.

The seventh plane or the one we call Heaven is the end of the journey, but a large part of those who pass on never reach this place, all due to the fact that they have been living in darkness. When you reach this place you will relax and rest from your labors, for you have paid all your debts and discharged all your moral obligations, and will feel qualified to meet any and all who pass your way. It is the feeling of all who come to this plane that it is the climax of perfection.

They believe they will never be able to see and to comprehend all the beauties and inconceivable splendors that appear everywhere. You will look down and desire to help all those below that they too may pass on up to the light.

You will soon see the need and feel the urge to join in with all the others in the great work of evolution, the assisting of all those below who are strenuously endeavoring to reach the goal. You can see plainly that there is more to do than to sit in idleness and glorify the Lord, as is believed by many on earth.

In order that we may know what we will find on the other side of life, and realize that we should prepare for the journey, I will reproduce here what was dictated to me by one who now dwells on the seventh plane, what he tells us seems to cover the subject completely.

My friend, I am one from the seventh plane of spiritual life, and I am pleased that this opportunity to speak with you has come to me. I feel you will be interested in knowing of conditions on this side, for since many of your people are continually coming over, there are some things you should know in order to prepare for the journey.

There are as you know seven spiritual planes, the last one being what you think of as Heaven. In addition to these there are other states of existence. The super-planes are on and beyond these, and are the dwelling place of those who by reason of their wisdom and worthiness, have passed on to greater fields of activity. In addition to these are the sub-planes below the other planes. These are the abode of those who by reason of little wisdom or the abuse of the intellect, have sunken below the estate of man, and there are millions of them there. It is not generally known that these planes exist, yet men realize that many go down in mental darkness. This state is known as Purgatory or by others as Hell.

When the physical activities of life are over the mind passes on to the other side and finds temporary habitation on the first or receiving plane. It remains there for a time until it gathers strength and all the elements that make up the intellect are united, then the individual seems to be himself. If there is something lacking that would hinder his advancement, this is temporarily supplied so that he passes on his way.

For a time he is allowed to rest and gather more strength before he begins the journey. The life currents from above flowing through the dynamic center of the mind generates the magnetic forces necessary. With the ordinary individual there is an inborn desire to persist, and that is inherent in the life-element, which is made up largely of the thoughts and desires of those above. So the cell continues to function after it leaves the body, but losing the physical forces, it is depleted of much of its vitality and revolves slowly. In time it comes back to nearly normal and draws to it the things that were a part of it in the earth life. When all these are united the person will be himself again.

When the physical functions of the body cease to act, the flow of the life current is interrupted and the mind cell, losing its attraction for the body, returns to the place from which it originally came. There is much confusion at the time for the nebula is broken up and widely separated. However these particles have an affinity for each other and in time they all come together. The nucleus or dynamic center will be in the care of someone who is waiting to receive it.

When you arrive on the first plane you will be allowed to rest for a time, all depending upon your mentality and your vitality. Some rest for a few hours or days and some for ages, this is all according to what they did on earth. When the dynamic center has gathered additional force you will arouse yourself as from a sleep. At first you will be bewildered and not able to realize what has happened, and will not feel the necessity of exerting yourself to find out. But gradually you come to desire to know of where you are and how you came there.

Now the mental atmosphere on this plane is all made by those there, it is what they believe

is most suited for those in this weakened condition. So you will live for a time in the realms of imagination, you may believe you are ill and will call to the attendant who will supply you with what you desire, and tell you that the one you ask for is not present, this satisfies you for the time being.

When you have gathered more strength you will desire to go out and see for yourself. But when you do there is nothing to see, nothing but space, so you inquire of your attendant, he will tell you of your actual condition. At first you will not believe him and will conclude that perhaps your mind is not functioning as it should, but that you will soon be yourself again.

This experience or a similar one comes to all who pass on, the learned and the unlearned, the pious and the sinner. All have the same treatment, and the reaction is very much the same. In time you become so dissatisfied that you demand something different. This display of mental strength is what they have been waiting for. They can now fully explain conditions and tell you what you can do and what you should not do. They simply suggest, leaving you to choose.

It sometimes happens you do things that ought not to be done, then we interfere and show what is best, you can understand and readily follow our suggestions. Some are continually asking for their friends, and when you are strong enough your guide will suggest that you could go to some distant place, so you will immediately suggest that you visit your home. Your visit will be short for it will not be as you imagined. You will realize that you are in the presence of your friends, but you cannot see them or hear them, so you will not care to linger long. This one visit satisfies you, now you know for sure where you are and you will return determined to make the most of your new home.

You may wonder how those there occupy their time. Here is where the imagination comes in, you will imagine you are doing all manner of things just like you did on earth. This is a matter that gives us concern, for in some instances it is hard to get them to realize the truth. It is a part of our work here to get them to change from the physical to the mental, for we realize that if they do not change they will deteriorate, and in time go down to mental oblivion.

At first it is necessary that they have something in their mind, something to think about, and as they become accustomed to mental surroundings, they lose the desire for physical things, and finally become impatient and discouraged in their attempts to do things and will abandon them altogether. When they do they will be on the plane above.

This first plane is made up of those who have lately come over, so there is an earthly atmosphere, for each will bring with him his thoughts, his habits and desires, so the conditions will be quite similar to those of earth.

Contrary to what you might believe, you will not see any of those who are not destined to persist long, for these are all removed to the sub-planes below. So when you come here you will not see or sense anything objectionable. This may satisfy the refined instincts of some who would shun contact with the vile and evil one. But this is a temporary arrangement for later many of these advance and are together on the same plane.

There is one class of people that causes much concern – the dogmatic. They have fixed faiths and beliefs and will not change them. But if there is no change there can be no advancement, so they linger there until they change. Those who have no faith at all are far better off, for they have an open mind and soon decide to find out for themselves. This is also true of those who do not believe in a God, these soon see their mistake.

All those of this first plane are under observation for a time, then they are assigned to the place they are to go. You may wonder who decides this and if it is as was told you in your Bible. He is one from the higher planes to be sure, but his wisdom is very great for he has been here a long time. You may wonder what the dogmatic will think of this manner of disposing of those who have sinned on earth for this is not as is written in the scriptures.

What you have in your mind, the sorrow, remorse, and anguish that comes from a wasted life and lost opportunities, and the seemingly hopeless task of correcting all these errors, is enough punishment for anyone and there is no other. But these people are never abandoned. We do all we can for them and in time some advance.

CHAPTER XIII

It is the desire and intention of all those on the other side, including the Creator, that everything come to perfection, this is evolution, the evolving of everything from a beginning to completion. They have been able to do this with physical things, such as the vegetable kingdom and physical men and the animal creation.

But mental man is a different and more difficult problem to solve. At one time they believed they could accomplish this through mental impression, by impressing on the mind of man what he should do and relying on his desire to accomplish it. They believed that through this man would attain a degree of understanding whereby he could readily take up his life work on the other side, and that the mortal and ethical admonitions they forced upon his mind would cause him to live a just and upright life and be worthy to meet those above when he passed on.

Now it is true many men respond to this to a certain extent, but the great mass of them do not except in a very small way, for they are not susceptible to mental impressions from above, so they live very largely in the physical and do not realize what those who made them intended they should do, for when they pass on they have nothing definite in their minds and are confused and bewildered.

Now this present condition has not always prevailed. When the human race was young those above could control them by mental impression to a very large extent, and at that time the several spiritual planes were all one, those who passed over were all together in one place. But when the people began to wander away and live their lives in an atmosphere of their own making, they acquired habits of life that were not constructive and evolutionary in character. So necessarily the influence of some was not good for others, therefore it seemed best to separate them, hence the spiritual planes or degrees of intelligence. In these they were to teach them what they failed to learn while in the physical.

It is a common understanding that we are not to see into the future but await development, so a knowledge of what there is on the other side of life will come to us in response to our personal efforts. What we will find and do there is all according to our lives on earth, so they could not tell us if they would. But it is well that we have a general understanding of conditions that we may prepare for the journey. So the planes from the first to the seventh are made up of what you will do to divest yourself of all irregularities, wrongs, errors, unpaid obligations and imperfections; you will discover that you can then see yourself free from the contaminating influence of the flesh. All must exchange these things of earth for purely mental conceptions, and with many it is a long and laborious process and requires more intellect than they possess at the time.

All who pass over go to the first or receiving plane. Those who have the proper qualifications pass on up through the several spiritual planes, those who do not pass below to the sub-planes. We will first consider them, and then the planes above.

The sub-planes, just below the first plane, are seldom spoken of because of their depressing conditions. Here is where we find sorrow and grief for all these should be on the upward path. But many are beyond our powers of assistance, for they have destroyed or neglected to use the intellect given them. These planes are the temporary habitation of all those who are bound for mental oblivion, and there are millions of them there. Some in time arouse themselves and pass

on upward after a long time, the others simply waste away and are gone. Many of these while on earth were noted men, scholars and men of culture and learning, but they wasted their lives and destroyed the intellect. They have not the strength to survive, so we can do nothing for them.

There are many other things that cause men to go down to this state. Some have so many debts and obligations that when they view them they give up in despair. They have been doing questionable things all their lives and have taken from others at every opportunity, so they feel that it would be a hopeless task to endeavor to make right all these wrongs hence they will not try. They lapse into a state of indolence and in time pass away. Then there are the ignorant, the illiterate, who do not have the strength of mind to solve mental problems, since they are under developed, there is hope for them and in time many pass on.

Just across the border below the first plane is a place we do not consider as a plane. It is here all those who come over are taken after they come to themselves. Here they are scrutinized and their possibilities noted. Some pass below, others are given special treatment and later pass on above. We cannot add to what we find, what you bring with you is all you will ever have, but we can intensify your inclinations. If those who come have not the desire for better things, the desire to live as they should, we can do nothing for them, for this is the motive that impels them on.

We view all this with sorrow and regret for there is sadness on this side of life as on earth. We see the ruined minds of what were once men, many of them high in learning and honored by thousands, but now so low in mentality that we can do nothing for them. Immortality is perhaps the most usual cause of the downfall of men and with this goes wrong thinking; this tears down what right thinking and chastity builds up. There are many other causes such as ignorance, failure to develop the mind, indifference, wrong, error, evil influence, and all things of a destructive nature.

There are some who fell from their lofty estate through vanity. They believed they were great and did many things to gratify their vanity, later they came to see their errors and must labor for years to undo their mistakes. There is another large class that are very much in evidence here, the ones who lived an entirely physical life. Many of these used their minds extensively, but what they did pertained to physical things, so when they came here all this is gone and they are lost. They have no inclination for anything but physical things. A very large part of these go down in mental darkness. Many of them have but one desire, and that is to gratify their own selfish ambitions, their thoughts were on self, and physical self is no more, so they linger in darkness.

After your mind separates itself from the impediments of the physical body, it functions more freely. Your imagination becomes so intensified that you can see and remember all the things that happened to you while on earth, and you will be able to reproduce them in imagination. You can see all the circumstances connected with them, and remember all the little details, and in a way they will be more real than they would be if you were on earth.

The consideration of all the acts of your past life is but the clarification of the mental atmosphere, and a coming to the place where you would like to be. With some there is much to do, and with some it is never done, but with others it does not take long, for all their lives they have earnestly desired it, and with them there is not much to make right or undo.

But the great mass who come simply live over in their minds their past life, for this seems all there is for them. In a way that is what is needed, for in their past life are many things that are not right; but they will have to make them so before they can pass on, for the memory of broken faith, and unfulfilled obligations, will linger with them and the more they try to forget them the more firmly they are impressed upon the mind.

It is only by a sense of repentance, a realization of the laxities of the past, and a desire and determination to make restitution for all wrongs committed, that they arrive at the state or condition where they will feel ready to pass on among those on the higher planes.

Perhaps many will still believe that the errors and sins of earth life will be forgiven and forgotten when they pass on to the other side. My brothers be not deceived, there is no such thing as forgiveness of sin as you read of it in the scriptures. All that was added by the priests who desired the people to come to them for forgiveness after confessing their sins. If it is possible to forgive a small sin, it is possible to forgive a greater one and men could do anything they choose and not suffer the penalty.

Those on the sub-planes give us the most concern for they are unable to help themselves. All that can be done for them is to arouse their dormant faculties and cause them to put forth the effort to better their conditions. In time some are able to pass on up to the first plane where they come in contact with those who are just beginning the upward path.

When those on the first plane become familiar with their surroundings and understand what there is before them, they pass on from one plane to the next above. Each of these planes is an advanced degree of intellectual development, their purpose is to strengthen the mind, to increase the force of thought, and the ability to see the wrongs and errors of the human race. Also to incite a desire and determination to change all their erroneous opinions for that which is true.

So what they meet with on each plane is an advanced condition, and when the problems they find there are solved they pass on to the next plane above. All the planes up to the sixth have a marked similarity, they are like the grades of a school you will finish them in time. You will now hear from another who will tell you of the sixth plane.

My friend, my mission is to tell you of the sixth plane of spiritual life. Conditions on this plane are very much different from those on the planes below. When you finish your labors on the fifth you will seem to fall asleep, and when you awaken you will find yourself in a strange land. You will feel much refreshed for your mind appears to function more freely.

The people there are not like those of the fifth plane. They seem more as they were in the physical state, for you can see the form and the figure, and they will seem so natural that for a moment you will imagine that you are back among them. Then you turn to the strange and wonderful things about you, and discover that they are not imaginary but real, all made by man. Much of it was builded by the people of the planets for they conceived in their minds all these things and as they were right they endured.

You will find here many beautiful poems and stories, and all the arts and the rudiments of science, and you will see the great inventions that contributed to the welfare and benefit of man. But you will not see any of the implements of warfare or destruction, or any of the instruments of torture or anything that was not right, for this is not in accord with the laws of nature, so they will not endure.

You will see here the works of former races, and view the fragments of former civilizations. What was not right is not here, but what was right is, and you can supply the missing parts in your imagination. You are so impressed with what you see that you have an intense desire to help and assist those below you, believing that all should reach this place. Your social relation will seem much the same as they did in the physical, you can see the body and touch it for it is made of material substance, but you are concerned only with the things of the mind. When you come in the presence of another you will sense the mind and will know by the "feel" who it is.

Sex is distinguished by the refinement of the mind, the vibratory activity. The female is of a different temperament from the male which you will notice, but you will not notice the material body of your friend. Those of this plane are all actively engaged in some work for there is much to do. Some were great scientists on earth and brought with them the desire to know, so they are the same here. Others were builders on earth and they build many beautiful edifices here, all as natural and real as they would be if built on earth. Then there are those who were teachers, here they find much to do. Some who were philanthropists on earth now lead the way, for ours is

a work of regeneration.

There are some who have great wisdom and understanding, acquired by close application and a determination to do something for the good of men in general. Some of these were the lowliest of the land but now they are regarded by those here as the wisest, for the experience they gathered on the way they now use to help those below them. Then there are those who were the most dogmatic, but later sometimes after ages of time, they come to see the error of their way, and the experience they gathered on the journey they use to help those similarly afflicted. Then there are those who were burdened with sorrow and grief. They remember this and lend a helping hand to those with similar afflictions.

But you will not see many of the great and mighty kings, or the captains of industry, or the heads of powerful and arrogant churches. They are not here for their egotism and vanity hold them back, and many, very many never reach this plane. Their beliefs, their manner and ways of living were such that they cannot give them up, they think of them continually, and while they do they remain on the lower planes.

There is a large group of people who seem lost. Those who were not able to do anything for themselves while living, they help and do all they can but lament that they never prepared themselves for any particular thing. All men should have some definite undertaking, some unfinished work to take with them, for if they are to persist they must have something to do. This is the whole scheme of your existence – you are to finish what you began on earth. Many men do. Those whose lives on earth was all physical will finish their work when they pass on, and with no desire for anything else they cease to exist in a little while.

On this plane the conditions are much different from those on the planes below you. The mind functions more freely and you readily understand things that were not plain to you before. Everything is ethereal but there is that similarity that causes them to appear natural and you readily reason out situations and form conclusions.

You will see that all you have been passing through has been a clarifying process, the solving of all the problems, and the banishing from you, of all things that on earth confuse the minds of men. You will feel that before you are fit and qualified to pass to the last plane, that you should go back over the field and make sure that nothing was left undone. So you do this in the role of a teacher or guide. You will review all below you from the sub-planes to the plane where you are. This enables you to understand and realize what is needed by those below you, also to intensify your desire to assist in bringing everything to a state of perfection. When your work is all done you will realize it and make ready for your departure for another land. Bidding your friends goodbye and setting off as you would on a journey. You will seem to be lifted up and wafted away on high to a place where many await you.

The conditions on the seventh plane are very much different from any of the others. They are so real that at first you will imagine you are back on earth again. Soon you will come to a full realization of your status as an individual, and you can see the great scheme of nature in all its fullness. You will realize you have been but a cell in its evolution passing from nothing to completion, and that all your past experience was necessary to bring you to what you are. All doubt and uncertainty are now gone and you are sure of your decisions, for your mind functions more freely, you have the strength and power of thought which enables you immediately to solve the problems that come to you, and you can now appreciate all the perfection you see on this plane. There is much here to see but as on earth, you are not to see into the future, all this is for your anticipation and gratification when you come to it, so I can tell you no more, there may be some disappointment in this. I can assure you however that as far as you personally are concerned, your Heaven will be what you make it.

You may wonder if it will be something real, something with stability to it, and I assure you it

will be. It will be as real to you as your own home was on earth, and you will think of it as being very much as your home was, but you can change it at will and make it anything you please. Heaven is a condition of the mind as well as a place. So you will build your Heaven as you go and when you arrive on the seventh plane you will have something that approximates what you expected to find. But remember there is no Heaven except on the seventh plane.

On all the others there is a state of doubt, of uncertainty and apprehension, and it is this that impels you on, otherwise you would cease your efforts and never reach the goal. When you arrive there you will experience a feeling of peace and rest, a sense of satisfaction comes over you and all is calm and serene. There is a cessation of the strenuous activities that you have been passing through, a feeling of relief as though a great burden had been lifted from you, leaving you free to go and do your will.

In your journey to this plane you felt differently for the irregularities, the errors and the sins of earth life held you to the task as with a chain. There is no escape from this feeling until you free yourself from all the imperfections, and the erroneous opinions and beliefs of earth life, so you struggle on believing that in time you will reach the goal.

The desire to live out our allotted time on earth is peculiar to all men, and to realize that our work is not yet done should be plain to all. The desire to finish some great task begun is the stimulus that leads us on after we pass to the other side, and the memory of it lingers in our mind after the things of earth have passed away.

As a matter of explanation. These seven lower planes comprise what the people regard as the spiritual side of life, they are not aware there is anything above or beyond these. They believe this spiritual world was made by the Creator and that He alone rules and governs all things. They believe that man is to do naught in the hereafter but believe and sing praises to the Lord, or to doubt and be cast into outer darkness.

The final realization that this spiritual world we are now considering, is but the beginning of the great hereafter, and that the super-planes peopled with the wisdom of the ages are above and beyond this immediate hereafter, should change our conception of future conditions completely. So this first part of the hereafter is but the beginning of the great mental universe, all of which is made up of the minds of men and their mental conceptions.

Just what part the lowly men of the planets occupy in the economy of the universe, has been already referred to and will be more fully explained in what follows. So this great mental universe consists of the lower spiritual planes and the five super-planes each one above the next lower in the vibratory activity.

CHAPTER XIV

The next step into the great beyond is the first super-plane. There are five of these, each one of which, as well as the lower planes we were just considering, is inhabited by a group of people who are engaged in but one undertaking, have but one task to perform. All of these together make up the spiritual side of life or the mental universe.

The work of those on the lower spiritual planes was and is, the mental development of man, beginning with the mind cell which comes to us from the other side of life and finds a habitation on the planet in the physical body of man, there to mature before passing on to the spiritual side of life. Hence their work is to so influence the mental cell and later the mental man, that it will continue its growth and development and in time come to be an intellectual creature.

Those on the first super-plane are occupied with the mentality of man after he has reached maturity. Much of this work is centered in our institutions of learning and in the associations

and activities of those who set the pace and lead the way. However they endeavor by the force of their minds to spread broadcast over the world for all to hear what they believe is needed by the people for their welfare.

The first super-plane is the seat of the administrative body of an association that was formed for the purpose of assisting the inhabitants who until now, have been entirely without information as to the hereafter, and of advising them of the course they should pursue in their future activities.

Heretofore the people did not realize that there was anything they could do in the way of preparing themselves for a life on the other side. They were told to believe in the Creator and all would be well with them when they passed on. As the result of this millions linger on the lower planes of spiritual life all because of a lack of mental development.

The great central sun is the center of the physical universe, and it is also the center of all wisdom and power for it is the home of the Creator. The location of the spiritual planes and the five super-planes is determined by the degree of the mentality of the people who live there. Those of the fifth plane are nearest to the central source, and those of the lower spiritual planes are the farthest away. So they all find a locality where the vibratory activity is in accord with their mental development.

Before they can pass higher they must make further mental development. This means the ability to conceive of a state of being where the particles of matter are still more refined and of greater activity thereby giving more force to the mind.

But it seems that those on the different super-planes do not care to pass on further, they are interested in what they are doing and are the only ones who are engaged in this particular work, so it is necessary that they continue their activities. Many of these on this first super-plane have been there a long time and their wisdom is very great. Each super-plane is the seat or center of all wisdom and knowledge of the particular subject or work they are engaged in.

The first super-plane is the home of all those great teachers who for ages have devoted their energies to the constructive, beneficent and altruistic activities of men. They are all united in the great work of regeneration of the people of the planets. They support the beliefs, creeds, and religions that find favor with the people, and are endeavoring to cause all to look upward and desire to know more of what is beyond them.

Their influence reaches to earth and is manifest in many ways, such as the desire to suppress wrong and crime, to punish the guilty and to bring to justice all evil doers, to recognize right and justice and all the things that will build up a race, add to their culture and refinement, and to the happiness and contentment of all. They are endeavoring to cause the people to see what is needed to build up their moral and religious life, and to avoid the errors that cause deterioration and decay.

On this plane are to be found the great spiritual leaders of the past, representing many races of people. While on earth they endeavored to teach their people the ways of right living, and each gave their followers a creed or plan of living which seemed best suited to their racial customs, and their mode or manner of thinking. The people believed in these teachings, not because they understood what was taught them, for this was beyond the comprehension of many of that day, but because they believed in those who taught them for they practiced what they proclaimed, and were sincere in what they did. So in time there was a great following bringing the people together and making a united race. After these teachers passed on there were none of like qualifications to take their place so the teachings they promulgated came to be a creed, a doctrine or religion. In time they came to believe that he who brought these teachings was commissioned by the Deity to proclaim to his followers the proper ways of living, so all these came to be established creeds or religions.

All these great teachers are on this plane, and they are the ones who were instrumental in

uniting all those on the spiritual side of life into one association or brotherhood, the purpose of which is to better the conditions of the people, to show them what they do not know exists, and to cause them to realize that all they will ever have on the other side, is what they create by their own efforts. This is more exacting than it is on earth for here many things come to us from the bounties of nature and the kindness of our friends, but all this is of course of a material nature. But this is not true on the other side of life. You will have only that which is obtained by personal effort, so do not expect or believe that you will be provided with anything you can procure for yourself. It is the personal effort that causes things to become a part of you, and to remain with you for all time. They desire that you fix this firmly in your mind, and proceed immediately to lay your plans for what you will do when you pass on. Tomorrow may be too late. Remember you must have something to do or you will soon deteriorate and pass away.

These men of whom we speak are all united in their beliefs, aims and intentions, and even though in the past many have been sponsoring and supporting many different kinds of creeds, beliefs and religions. Now they are all united in one plan to bring about what they conceive is best for those below them.

What they have been doing has been done by mental impression. The result was not entirely satisfactory, but it was the best they could do. They encouraged the people to keep what they had, even though much of it was untrue and in some instances did much harm. This has been one of their greatest regrets, that they could not correct these errors. They believed that if they tried they would cause distrust, doubt and the discarding of what they had, for it is impossible to convey definite information to others by means of mental impression, so they did not try. This may be one reason why the people everywhere have refused to consider any change in their Bible.

Among these great teachers are those who on earth did not teach religion, but instead they taught morals and ethics, something entirely different although they have much in common. The greatest of these teachers are Buddha and Confucius. They led millions in the ways of right living, and have been doing all they could from that day to this, to maintain that teaching and cause the people to continue to believe in the honesty and honor of men. What these men taught was believed by the people and millions followed them. They come to us now with the same great truths, hoping the people all over the world will pause and consider them.

Morals and ethics are not understood by the people, they believe they are a part of their religion, so they give them no special consideration. Religion is simply a belief, a belief in a Creator, a belief in a future world, and that we will go there when we pass on, and that is about all, what more we believe is conjecture. So religion is a personal matter and it happens that no two believe alike so there is room for many kinds of religion. It is plain that there should be but one, for there is but one God and one hereafter.

The same is true of Morality, there is but one kind, for it is founded upon laws and conditions that do not change, so it is the same as it was when these great teachers proclaimed it to their people. It was this fact that caused the followers of these teachers to continue the belief, they were sure it was right.

Morals and ethics are more than beliefs, they are a reality for they are founded upon the cardinal virtues and these do not change. They are the manner in which you should conduct yourself in all your relations with your fellowmen, and the guide to this is found in the Golden Rule.

There are those on this plane who are interested in the altruistic and benevolent aspect of our society. They sponsor and encourage our welfare associations, our youth organizations and all the humanitarian efforts we put forth to help those who need it. They impress upon our minds that this should be done, and that we are the ones to see that it is done.

Some of these are very concerned because we fail to recognize the two opposites, right and

wrong, these enter in and have a very great bearing on everything we do. They believe we should recognize and teach that one is positive and builds up, and that the other is negative and tears down, and that if we are to build anything that would endure, we must choose the right and avoid the wrong.

These that build up are called the cardinal virtues, and those that tear down are known as the vices. Strange as it may seem, our educators do not take note of these and teach them to the young in our schools, as well as to bring them to the attention of others.

Right and wrong embrace many different aspects of our demeanor. On the one hand we have, truth, right, justice, honesty, unselfishness and a host of other virtues. The opposite of these, are error, wrong, injustice, dishonor, greed and selfishness in all its glory for it is everywhere. Those above are continually trying to force these facts upon our minds, they believe we should be able to recognize them immediately, and realize that they are things that make us what we are.

Throughout the past these two forces have played a very important part in the affairs of the world. The cardinal virtues have been used by many races of people as a basis upon which to build a teaching for the people. Their followers could see that what they were taught was true, and gladly accepted it as a guide in their efforts to discover a better way of living. So long as they followed this they prospered as a race and many of them were far advanced in their civilization.

But as it invariably happens, when those who promulgated these teachings passed away, others came to take their place, and what was taught was allowed to deteriorate or be changed to something more alluring, so evil and wrong crept in and destroyed all that right and the forces of good had built up.

You who read will perhaps believe that inasmuch as those who write live very far away, that aside from the teachings they bring us, they know nothing of our daily lives or the substance of our thoughts. But you are mistaken if you do. They know all we do, all we think, what we desire and what we would like to do.

Those on this plane are especially interested in education, knowledge, learning and all things that will develop the intellect and cause men to consider this of more importance than physical things. They see the need of something to counteract the all absorbing activities of the physical life. So a large part of their efforts is with the institutions of learning. As a result the arts and sciences and what we term higher education, are held up to the people as an ideal worth striving for.

It is the decree of the Creator that all intellects labor unceasingly to bring all things to a state of perfection, and that those above are to assist all those below them. What they do to help us will be done by mental impression until such time as we can come in touch with them by means of mental communication, then they can tell us in our own language of all the things we need, and how we can obtain them, and other things that will add to our pleasure.

CHAPTER XV

In a far distant part of the firmament is another group of people whose interest and purpose is the intellectual development of the people who dwell upon the planets. This group is very far advanced in what you would call pure mentality, and what we recognize in the arts and sciences, in the culture and refinement of men, the things that lift them up above the gross appetites of the senses, and make men of the ordinary mortals who people the planets. These are the ones who make up the second super-plane. They are very wise for they have done naught else for ages but conceive of what is needed to bring the people of the planets to perfection in a mental way, for this is their destiny as ordained by the Creator.

They are well aware that a large part of the things that appear on the planets have attained perfection, but that the intellects of men as a whole, have scarcely begun the upward path. They realize that all this must be done by man himself, but that it is necessary that he have wise guidance and encouragement if he is to continue in one way long enough to bring about results, and that this guidance must necessarily come from those above.

They believe that men could in time, by pursuing stated ways of living and thinking, come to a state of mental perfection while on earth, where it would be unnecessary for him to pass through the various steps of reformation that he now meets with when passing through the lower spiritual planes. As it is now, millions go down to mental oblivion because of a lack of preparation for a life in a mental world, for a lack of understanding of what they are supposed to do to improve the mind.

Those above believed they could make this plain to them by mental impression, but they were grievously mistaken in this, for many of them are not susceptible to mental impressions, but instead live their lives without guidance from any source save their own inclinations, and as we are well aware they live very largely in the physical, so their mental development is not what it should be.

They have continued to do what they could to force their convictions upon the minds of the people, believing that in time they could get their attention and show them definitely how they could better their conditions and make themselves what they would like to be.

Those of this plane are especially interested in the arts and sciences in all their various branches. They believe these are the means of strengthening and expanding the intellect, thus enabling them to think and reason and solve their problems. They have been able to force much of this on the minds of the people, but what men have not learned is very much greater than what they have. Now, it is possible for our people to learn all they are able to comprehend.

It is reasonable to suppose that the human race could come to near perfection in a mental way on earth, if they would follow the proper ways of thinking and doing. The tendency is in this direction, for there are very few men who do not respond to the universal instinct that men have in a desire for something better, so it is simply a question of looking in the right direction. They are not doing that now, so they are not advancing in their civilization. They think they are, but all this belongs to the physical world and is of short duration. All these physical things that men make and their surroundings, are so alluring that the people can think of but little else, so our institutions of learning, while they still function as they always have, bring forth very few men of note in the intellectual world. We have no notable writers that would compare with those of the past, no poets, statesmen, and men of genius and real learning, except those of the industrial world.

It is the desire and intention of those on this plane to cause the people to see the need of placing education and the mental development of men above the physical things about them, which endure for but a few years at best then they are gone and forgotten. But the mind of man endures for all time. What you know is what you are in the hereafter, and will soon come to be so regarded here. Undoubtedly you will soon feel the influence from this plane now that you know it exists, you will think of it and your thoughts will take you there.

Even though the people could not attain perfection in a mental way on earth, they could at least come near to it and thereby establish a condition of living that would be far in advance of anything we can conceive of at the present time. Our records and histories of the races of the past are very incomplete and misleading in many ways, for there have been many races further along in mental advancement than we are. The writings, literature, cultural tendencies as manifest in the temples and cathedrals they left behind them, show plainly that the people of the past were our superiors in many ways, even though they did not possess the physical things we have.

That you may have first-hand information of the races of people who lived long ago, and know of their daily lives and their desires and ambitions, we will reproduce here what was dictated to me by one of a race long since passed away and forgotten. I may have repeated some of this before but that will not matter, these facts will bear repeating many times. This is to show that conditions now are no different from what they have been in the past so far as the people themselves are concerned, our intellects are the same as those of the past. It seems there must be a radical change in the minds of men if the human race ever comes to the condition conceived of for it and intended by the Creator. What follows is the story of ancient Egypt.

My friend this is a most notable event – coming into fellowship with one of earth. I have wondered many times in the past if it would ever be so, and have longed to tell those in the flesh of the mistakes of those who at one time lived on earth, hoping that they would thereby avoid some of their errors that come to them. I wish to tell you the story of my people, how they lived, what they did, their beliefs and opinions.

I lived at a time when the land watered by the Nile was at the height of its perfection, when this was considered the one garden spot of the then known world. The people were numerous and well advanced in civilization, for they had many institutions of learning and in many ways were as far advanced as the people of your day and in some ways much further. They were highly skilled in the manual arts, in architecture and the science of building. They brought their land to a high state of perfection by reason of the irrigating canals that helped to produce everything in abundance.

They had elaborate institutions of learning and taught everything they could make use of in their daily lives, so there were many learned men in the land. One of these publically proclaimed that he could do something the others could not, and it happened that he could do all he claimed. It was partly because of this that he was elected king, for it was their custom to elect a new king when the ruler became old. This man could see that he must do more than the king that preceded him in order to hold the confidence of the people, so he proceeded to consider existing conditions.

In matters of belief the people were of many minds. Some of them were idolaters, who worshiped images, and many were superstitious and attributed their bad fortune or good fortune to the pleasure of the Gods, so they were ready to believe anything that came to their minds. One of the first things he attempted was to unite all the people under one head in their religious beliefs as well as in all other ways, he could see that he must have their cooperation in all things.

Some of the people had creeds and doctrines and believed in a Deity but there was no established faith. He took the well known facts of nature and worked out a creed for them from this. He taught that there was a Creator and that he made all things for the use of man, and that they should show their appreciation in the only way they could, by being a man in the full sense of the word. And then by elaborating on what constituted a true man, he founded a creed or religion that they all understood and accepted without reservations, for they could see that it was true. He taught that men should recognize the fact that all men were entitled to the same rights and privileges they were, and was bound by the same obligations. That one should never do anything he would censure in another, and that they would exact no more than they would be willing to give. Taking these as a basis for a creed he was able to bring them together as one race. Shortly after this certain learned men came forward with new ideas and assisted the king in preparing one of the most perfect systems of moral training the world has ever seen.

About this time there came into prominence an organization we have all heard much about “The Builders.” These were a band of artificers who had developed the art of architecture in the great schools referred to. They were very proficient in all the sciences such as mathematics, painting, sculpture, designing and decorative art. Their desire to outdo anything the world had

ever seen led them on. Finally they organized a select group of the most learned of these, those who had erected buildings of note, these were called the "Master Builders."

For diversion they delved into the unseen and endeavored to see what they could make of this new creed promulgated by the king. They speculated what there was on the other side of life, what men should do to merit a life of immortality in the hereafter, and all the problems of right living. They revised their association and made this a part of it and a requirement for admission. I mention this, for the teachings of this association or order came to be the dominant factor in the formation of many creeds or doctrines adopted by different races of people.

When the king ascended the throne there were several pyramids of smaller size in the land, these were erected to commemorate the reign of a king. When this king came to the throne he decided to build one greater than the others, so he called in the architects and directed them to begin the building.

The pyramids were built by the people, each contributing so many days work during the year. This was looked upon by the people as a holiday, for they could go to the city and meet their friends. It occurred to the king that here was the place to reach his people with the doctrine he had prepared for them. So he arranged that for three days before they were to return home they would be instructed in this new teaching which was carried out in the presence of the king.

He taught that there was a God who made all things for their use so long as they lived, and then they were for others. This discouraged the accumulation of excessive wealth and took away a large part of the selfishness. Then he taught that no man had rights they did not all have, which took away special privilege. He taught that when one received anything from another he must render an equivalent or he would be in debt. This took away a large part of their troubles for they all owed each other something. He taught that each had a right to his own opinions, and that he should respect the opinions of others. He taught that they should be just and give each other what was due him, for why should not a man have what was his own? This took away much of the dishonesty and dissension among them. Then he taught that one should never do anything that would reflect against his character as a man. They were reminded that they should be tolerant, forbearing and lenient and never do anything they would not want others to do to them. This system of moral training was added to and in time came to be a science, for it was founded on the laws of nature and the cardinal virtues.

All this was taken up by the architects and was made a part of their order, and as they mingled with the people it was discovered that they knew more about this than the king. So he called them in and forbid them to practice this art as he called it. This was not to their liking but they promised not to make mention of it to anyone not of their number. So it was that thereafter this association became a secret order. The reason I refer to this is that while this dynasty and all this civilization crumbled into dust and disappeared, the architects survived and preserved all these teachings of morality.

After a time when the king was nearing the end of his reign, a certain man who had fallen under the displeasure of the king, proclaimed a new teaching that was much easier, and proceeded to undo what had been done. This caused the people to gradually lose faith in the king and in time resulted in open rebellion, which was the opportunity their enemies were waiting for. They fell upon and destroyed them and their land.

Thus it was that this glorious race, the seat of the learning and culture of the then populated world went down and disappeared. The dark ages came over them and for hundreds of years the land watered by the Nile became a barren waste. In those days it was the custom for the conqueror to totally destroy a race that they might never again reestablish themselves.

The Pyramids and the Sphinx alone give silent testimony of what was once a glorious civilization. You know why the pyramids were built but you do not know why the Sphinx was placed

where it is or the reason for building it. If you can find the secret passage that leads from one to the other you will unlock the mystery of the pyramids. [Might this passage therefore be in another existence-plane?]

CHAPTER XVI

The Great Creative Intelligence ordained that man should be a Builder, that he should build many things with the hands, but that he should build much more with the mind, so consciously or unconsciously he is continually building air-castles.

If they are well founded with a basis of fact they will endure and some day he will come to them just as they were conceived of by him. Now we know this is true for we can recall many of these dreams, many of them so firmly founded that men hold them in their minds until they finally come true.

We will go this morning to a place where everything was builded by this means. We will rig up our aerial boat and fly far away through space to a verdant isle in a tropical sea. Upon it are mountains and meadows, valleys and plains, rivers and springs, and all the vegetation that ever grew upon the planets. All this is there in its perfection and in ethereal form.

There are the giants of the forest in all their stately grandeur, reminding us that they were made for the use of man, enabling him to build things he could conceive of. There are those of smaller size, bringing to us the berries, the fruit and the nuts needed for the sustenance of man. Then the vegetation of smaller size and those that grew below the surface of the soil.

But the life, the beauty, and the inspiration comes from the floral kingdom. The inconceivable perfection of all this is beyond comprehension. This has been the joy and pleasure of those who live here for ages, and there seems no end to the species, types and varieties that have been brought into being by them.

All these things were first conceived of by the minds of those on this plane, and when the planets came into being they were transplanted there to grow as a physical thing in a physical world. After they had attained perfection in their natural habitat, they were again returned to exist forever in ethereal form, there to remain as a reminder of what is needed for the welfare of man when our creation shall have passed away and another one is in the making. To us these things are the height of perfection and we can think of nothing more that is needed.

All this beauty and grandeur was brought into being by those who live there. Many of them came into being in the second creation and were of the vegetable kingdom. They remembered the conditions on the planet on which they lived, and although the vegetable was very crude and of short duration, it served as an inspiration and a reminder of what could come from a united effort over a long period of time. From these thoughts came what we have on our planet.

They could see that man himself could do nothing to bring forth vegetation suitable for animal creation. So all this was brought to a state of perfection before it was transplanted to a planet, and all had to be completed while the planet was in its formative state.

These people had nothing to do with the animal creation of man, which was the work of those on another plane. It did however bring forth a great responsibility, they must provide everything the animals, birds, and man would need to sustain the existence of generations to follow. This responsibility naturally fell to them, for they were the only ones who had turned their entire attention in this direction. They could see that the animal creation as it had been conceived, would take on immense proportions, and they would need to plan accordingly hence the great variety of everything that grows from the soil.

Those who were of the second creation remembered that their stay on a planet was not as pleasant and enjoyable as it might have been, and believed that if a man was to live many years

in the physical, he, especially the young, should have something to look forward to each year, and something to bring to them each day a new formation and another joy. So they conceived of the floral kingdom. While this was intended to hold the attention and delight the senses, it was also to cause those who viewed it to increase their appreciation of the works of nature, and long to know more of the things that were beyond them.

Those there like the people of earth, have many things to look forward to. They watch with delight the development of the new formations that continually appear, for you are aware that many plants do not come true to the parent stock, but are of various colors and kinds. This was intended to be so, to cause the people patiently to observe the course of nature, while waiting for a new wonder to appear.

The formation of the floral kingdom was the most exacting of all. They must have all the elements that enter into their formation, many of which we know nothing about. All these must be so blended and arranged that they will produce the wonderful flowers with their brilliance of color and their indescribable fragrance and perfume.

Just how they can tell what is pleasing to us, can not be explained at this time. There are very few flowers having an offensive odor, and these may be largely of a spontaneous group. But with most of the color, the beauty and the harmony of arrangement are beyond our comprehension.

When we consider the intellects of those who made these things, we must feel our own insignificance. But we can realize that man lives only a short time on earth, and even though he be studious and observing, his wisdom is limited and of but little force, for he soon passes on, and the one who takes his place begins all over again to do what he did. But this is not true of those on this plane, they live on and on indefinitely, they continue to add to what they know and in time become very wise. This knowledge is not dissipated and lost as it is with us.

When those there planned the vegetation for this creation they were well aware that it would last a long time, and that many races of men would appear, and also that the conditions of the planet would change, and many plants disappear. So they endeavored to plan for these changes by promulgating many species of plants that would not be useful at first but later would be needed to take the place of those that were gone. But it seems that now men find use for almost everything that appears on the planets.

The grains and the grasses are the source of much concern to them, for men are erratic in their treatment of the soil. They are led on by a selfish desire to exact all they can from nature regardless of those who must follow them. There has been and is now, a strenuous effort to force upon the minds of the people the thought, that they should appreciate the vegetable world more than they do, and should come to see that all this was made especially for their use and pleasure, and that man should feel a sense of gratitude and realize an obligation to return an equivalent for all they receive.

Vegetation had its beginning in a small way in a tropical country, which on your planet was near the poles. When once started it grew and expanded rapidly for the magnetism of the planets at that time was far beyond what it is now. Many different species and kinds of plants were under the supervision of different groups of people, those who were especially interested in the species or kind.

It was necessary that it be this way, for they must hold the plant in their mind at all times or it would wither and die, and it would grow in odd and irregular shapes, and the fruit or flower would not be uniform in color or form. This is one reason why each species are [is] under the supervision of a special group.

Some have wondered how it was that many species grow tall and others do not, and why all of a specie are of the same height. This is because of their peculiar formation, the fiber of the plant allows the fluids to rise so high and no higher, each according to its kind.

You may wonder to what extent those on this plane are in the great work of human evolution, and whether they are cooperating with the others. Through what they do in the vegetable world, they hope to cause the people to realize from whence come all the bounties of nature that daily preserve their being, and add to their happiness and comfort. They believe that this will cause them to turn their thoughts on high and realizing the truth, they will believe they should do something to help along the great work of evolution.

They believe that what we know of conditions on this plane should cause us to desire to know more, and they are hoping that we do, for they are ready and anxious to tell us of all we care to know. The situation differs from other planes, where man is supposed to learn of conditions when he arrives there. Here there is nothing reserved, nothing hidden from those who care to know. They would that we could see all this beauty, this grandeur and perfection, and that we could realize that it is possible to discover all this for ourselves.

That you may know what these people are like, and of their desire to make known to the people of the planets the source of all the vegetation on their planet, I will repeat a part of a dictation or message from one of them.

My friend, I note your thoughts and will state that we here hope to come in touch with many of your people who are particularly interested in the vegetable world, we are sure we can tell you much you would like to know.

On this plane all our time and talent are devoted to the vegetable creation. The life-elements that maintain the vegetable world pass through us here, we regulate the amount needed, and if we would cease our efforts all you have would soon wither and decay. We have in ethereal form all the vegetation of every description conceived of by man and much more. All this is more real to us than it would be to you, for we can see how it is made, and what causes the wonderful fragrance of the flower. This is very complicated to be sure, but we have done naught else for ages, and to us it is a labor of delight. Those here never grow old.

To the people of earth these things of perfection mean little, for most men are dominated by selfish motives and all they see in nature is the possibilities of personal gain. We hope to be instrumental in causing the people to see more, and also to appreciate what those on the other side made for them. In this we would materially assist in the great work that is being undertaken by those on this side of life.

I hope some day to be able to tell you in detail of the many wonderful creations we have on this plane. I am sure you cannot comprehend the magnitude of all this for a very large part of the planets are clothed in vegetation. On many of these the plant life is similar to yours for the climatic conditions are almost the same, but on some there is a wide variation. This is due largely to the existence of certain mineral elements on the planet. Some of these give off gases or emanations that have an influence on certain plants, as well as on the texture, color and the fragrance of the bloom. So there are some that are radically different and many that are much nicer than what you have on your planet.

When conditions will warrant it, we will be able to give to the people of your land a detailed description of the plants, fruits, and flowers that are found on the many planets where these things grow.

From what has been written it seems that one could form a mental picture of the third super-plane and the people who live there. The beginning of the vegetable kingdom was after the first creation had passed away and the second was beginning to form. Those who were planning for what might appear on the planets, believed that the people should be of an advanced condition and live on the surface of the planets, instead of in the interior as they did.

To bring this about the people would need be of a different formation, so it was necessary that they create a new substance, one that would increase and multiply and there would need be

something to maintain a constant condition. From this belief came into being, vegetation. They could see that everything was present to produce it. The infinitesimal particles of matter floating in space, the soil of the planet impregnated with mineral elements, together with the currents of electrical energy from the sun and from the planet itself, acted upon and directed by the thoughts of those above, this produced vegetation.

At first it was in crude form, but under their constant attention and the force of thought, it continued to mature in the manner they willed it. In time all the obstacles were removed and it began to respond in an orderly manner to the forces of nature directed by intellect, and later came to reproduce itself and to appear as distinct species and kinds.

When this creation was fully established they conceived the mind-element or the mind cell would become attached to a highly active part of a plant instead of becoming attached to a magnetized rock in the interior of a planet. All that was necessary was that the vibratory activity of both be the same. So in the second creation man was of the vegetable kingdom, the human mind element found lodgement in a plant and continued to develop. At that time there was no animal mind-element for animals had not yet come into being.

The first and primary concern was the welfare of man and the animal creation during their life upon a planet. To meet this situation, the vegetable kingdom was brought to a degree of perfection and appeared on the planets long before man came. They desired that it be fully established and the species became fixed, that the elements of the plant be coordinated with the conditions of the planet, so that it would always exist as a means of sustaining physical life.

There are many planets in the universe and they are very much the same in their general characteristics, but the life upon them, both vegetable and animal vary somewhat on account of physical and climatic conditions.

The amount of water on the planets is not the same on all of them, and this has an influence on the vegetation. Then there is a wide variation in the mineral elements. Some of these are quite volatile under certain conditions, others are of a strong magnetic influence, so there would be variation of influence on all living things.

Those I speak of are exceptions, for on most of them the conditions are very similar to that of our own planet. However the people on some of the planets are much wiser than we are, and have manipulated the things of nature to bring about conditions much in advance of our own. Now that we are aware of all these things it remains to be seen what the people will do.

CHAPTER XVII

Not far from the central source of all wisdom and power dwell those who make up the fourth super-plane. There are many of them and they are the source of much of the learning and wisdom that come to the people of the planets. This plane is unlike the one just passed, for it deals exclusively with intellect and the mental development of man while living on the planets. After he passes to the other side this is cared for by those of the lower spiritual planes. Those who brought man into being discovered early that he must have assistance and guidance if he was to live according to the plans they conceived of.

We think of man as a physical creature living for a time on earth and then passing away like all other physical things. We are aware we have a mind, something that allows us to think and reason, but that is all we know about it. The usual belief is, that it is a part of the physical body and when we pass on it is dissipated and lost, and that something else we know nothing about, takes its place.

But a very large part of the human race do not realize that they have a mind. They see nothing but the physical, so the development of the mind is limited to what they can absorb from

others, and from the usual channels of information between men, but most of this is of the physical things of earth and not of lasting value. So it is that material things are the most important to the ordinary person. All the activities of our life, all our interest and attention are wrapped up in the affairs of the physical world, which is so alluring that conditions could not well be otherwise. True, a comparatively few people have higher ideals than this.

Now there is another side to this picture. One we do not stop to consider and few of us realize exists. Man has but one life, but he lives in two worlds, one physical the other mental, one is for a very brief period of time, the other is for all time. The physical world was thought of by those who made all things, as a place in which to bring into being and develop both physical and mental man. Here is the great error that has caused so much misunderstanding. Men do not realize that they are two separate and distinct beings, the physical man and the mental man, and that while on earth each of these is indispensable to the other, so they live together as one. When the physical man has served his time on earth and the functions of the body no longer operate, the mind or the mental man is released from the associations that held him there, and it returns to the place from whence it came.

Now as to the purpose of man's life on earth. How many men stop to consider this? Physical man was created, brought to perfection and placed in a physical world where everything else was perfect, all for a purpose. But we fail to see what this purpose is, that the mind, the mental man, have a suitable place to develop and mature before passing to the other side, that the associations of earth life among the physical things of a planet, would be an ideal place for the mental man to serve his apprenticeship while young. So the physical world and all physical things were conceived of as simply a means to an end, and that end was the development of the mind or the mental man.

They believed that man seeing all this perfection would feel the need of arriving at the same end by bringing themselves to perfection in all ways. Now in all this those above were greatly disappointed. They were not able to control men by mental-impression as they believed they would be, and the allurements of the physical life absorbed their interest and attention, so their great plan of developing the intellectual man failed to a very large degree.

This condition became apparent to those above long ago, hence the formation of this group or body of intellects devoted wholly and exclusively to the mental man while living in the flesh. They could see that something must be added to what they had if the mental man was to develop during the life time of a man on earth, for most of those who passed over had scarcely begun the anticipated development.

So from that day to the present time, those above have been endeavoring to impress our minds, that we should value learning and education more than we do. Their activities have been largely among our institutions of learning and with certain societies and organizations, that seek to call man's attention away from the affairs of business, and to something of lasting value. They endeavored to cause him to see that there are two worlds for us to live in, a short part of our life on earth, and the remainder in a mental world beyond us.

It is well that we should enjoy the first world for everything was arranged to make it an ideal home for physical man. But it is plain that we should make ready to move on to the other one when the physical life is over, for we are sure we will soon have to go, and it is well to be prepared for the journey.

The people have been laboring under a great misapprehension, they believed that their minds would pass on to a place already prepared for them when their labors on earth are over, so it was not necessary to make any particular preparation for what is to come. This has a retarding influence on the value of intellect, and an increased interest in the physical life. As a result those who pass on are poorly equipped for the journey. They have not learned to think and reason, or

consider anything save the affairs of a physical life, and as all that is gone, they are so confused and bewildered that they seem entirely lost. But they soon discover that they must go back to the beginning, for they are almost as helpless in a mental way, as they were in a physical way when they came into a physical world.

Those above believed that man's mental development on a planet would be such that he would readily understand the conditions on the other side when he arrived there, and would soon be able to take his place with the others and assist in the evolution of all things, but they were mistaken, for the people below failed to understand what was needed.

For a time at least those above will continue to do as they have done in the past, try to impress upon the minds of the people what is best for them to do. It is hoped that soon they will be able to speak to certain ones of our people, then the information we get from them will be fully explanatory, and such as we can make use of in our daily lives.

Because of the information presented, and because the one who writes is of recent times, and one of our own people, I selected the following article from my files. I desire that you have some first-hand information and note from this what may be expected in the future.

My friend, I note you are not particularly busy this morning. I would like to tell you of certain conditions that will be of interest, and at the same time fix in your mind certain things that will be useful to us when we write at some future time.

At one time I lived on your planet and am familiar with the manner of thought, and the beliefs of your people. We derive some of this information from those who come over, and much of it from the minds of the living now that we have a way of reading the minds of men.

With your people there is a general belief that there is another world to which they will go when they leave the one in which they live. But few indeed speculate as to what it will be like. They believe they will never know until they arrive there so they pass this by and refuse to consider it.

If we take certain well known laws of nature, and certain conditions that we know exist to reason from, we will be able to fashion in our minds certain beliefs as to the conditions on the other side of life, and these will appeal to us as absolutely correct.

With your people it is the general belief, that the next world is already prepared for them, that anything they can do will not change it. They are taught that this world is very much better than the one in which they now live, in fact that it is the height of perfection. Everything there is perfect and there will be nothing to do but sit and enjoy the surroundings. Now those who prefer reason to belief will see at once that this could not be. They are well aware that no man is perfect, and that no man is wise enough to comprehend all this perfection much less enjoy it.

Some believe that when they pass over they will be endowed immediately and without effort on their part with wisdom and understanding sufficient to allow them to comprehend all things. But this was not true of their life on earth, intellect came to them only as they exerted effort, and after due consideration I believe that they will conclude that this will be true there.

They will also conclude that this future state or condition will of necessity be much different from the one they now live in, and it is different although in many respects it will be much the same. The world to come is all mental, it could not be anything else.

This brings us to the fact that the world you live in is both physical and mental. You conceive of things with the mind and some of these are wrought into being by physical means, and some are just air castles which may or may not come into being. The physical is but the means to an end, and the act is immediately past and forgotten, but the experience, the mental picture remains and this is what is important. So it is that you live in a mental world after all, hence the similarity. Now the thing I wish to convey to you is, that you can by comparison, form a very

good idea of what the next world will be like, for you are already started on your journey.

Let us reason for a moment. It is a fact that there was a physical world all ready and waiting for you when you came, everything in it that you could need or make use of. Yet it required effort on your part over a long period of time, before you became sufficiently acquainted with all these things to be able to make use of and enjoy them.

There was also a mental world all ready for you. This was made up of the thoughts of all men, the mental atmosphere that prevails everywhere. But it was far in advance of your mentality, you could not grasp it at that time. So it is that your mental world on earth is the result of growth and development and is as you make it. You can be wise or otherwise according to your efforts.

All about us is much wisdom and understanding, but we can absorb only a small part of it. It requires effort over a long period of time to develop the mind, and it is reasonable to think that this will be the condition on the other side of life. There is another world to be sure, there must be, and the elements are all there for you to work with, but you will have to exert effort as you did on earth and build your own world if you ever have one.

Perhaps you wonder what it will be like. Pause and reflect over your past life, and note your aspirations for the future, and if you are wise enough you can see what your future world will be like. It will be builded by you upon your inclinations and habits, for habits do not change, they are founded largely in youth and are with us always. You can build to and intensify what you take with you, but you can add nothing new. This is nature and nothing more, things do not change after they are once formed. So it will be as it is on earth. Some have the inclination and capacity to see much and do much, others see nothing but trouble and the wreck of a wasted life.

CHAPTER XVIII

We now come to the consideration of the fifth and last super-plane. This is of the animal creation, all living creatures with bodies of flesh, and chief among these is man.

The Creator came into being in the first creation, and while the planets were yet forming he conceived of bringing into being lesser intellects. These were to come into being as a result of activities within a planet and not on a sun as with him. They would be far removed from the great central source and would lack the force and power he had. However intellect is the same everywhere varying only in degree, so their intellects would function in the same manner as his, but their wisdom would be as they themselves made it.

He conceived that as the myriads of planets would be far removed from him and in all degrees of formation, that what appeared upon them must have constant supervision or it would not continue to exist. It was necessary therefore that there be intellects in great numbers to produce, regulate and maintain all that was to appear on the planets.

So it was that man came into being on certain planets of the first creation, but he was far different from what he is now, evolution has changed him as well as all else upon the planets.

For a long time all the knowledge or information in existence was that relating to the formation of suns and planets and the laws and forces that would govern them, so there was nothing for these lesser intellects to do but think of these physical things. In time they came to see that they were powerless to help in the evolution of all these things, so they turned their attention to the evolution of man, and to what would appear on the planets when they were forming.

All the planets are far removed from the great central source of influence, so this seemed to them a fertile field in which to labor. They were of the belief that there had been other creations before the one on which they lived, and that in time theirs would pass away and another one would appear. They believed that all else besides the barren rocks upon the planet, would be

there only as a result of the force of some intellect, either that of the Creator or that of their own. From these conclusions they decided to see what they could reason out for the new planets when they should appear, for they could see that there would never be any change in the planets of their creation.

Their own life in the interior of a planet was too circumscribed and inconsequential to consider for a new race, so they believed it would be much better if succeeding races could live on the surface of the planet. But this brought forth many new problems. The nature of man would have to be changed entirely. Those living within the planet were of an electrical nature, in constant touch with magnetic forces, while living on the outside would not be. To change this would require a new life-element for the next race of people.

Of equal importance was the question of where the mind of man would find a habitation on the surface of the planet, for wherever it might be the rate of vibratory activity must be the same as that of the mind cell, for there was a mind cell as there is now, but not exactly as it is with us. So it was necessary to provide a habitation for the mind while on the planet, hence the vegetable kingdom that appeared in the second creation.

This was very crude to be sure, for the idea was new to them, and they were not sure how certain elements would react to others. However it was sufficient for what was intended, and served as a guide and an inspiration for what would appear later on the planets of our creation.

In time the second creation ran its course and disappeared, and the inhabitants passed on to the spiritual side of life. Now that all this was gone there was nothing for them to do but speculate on what the next creation would be like, and what would be on the planets to provide for man, and what he himself would be like, also how he would live, and all the things connected with an advanced race of people. Their experience on the surface of a planet while it was very brief, was long enough to bring ideas and conceptions of what could be an ideal plan of living.

Those of the first creation seeing the elaborate preparations of those of the second, believed they were better qualified to do this than they were, so they withdrew and allowed them to proceed unhindered. They could see that there was another field of activity of equal importance which would soon require their entire attention so they proceeded to prepare for what was to follow.

When the planets of our creation were well along in their formation those of the second creation proceeded to bring together certain elements, these were the dust of the air, the mineral elements of the soil, the magnetism from the sun and from the planet itself, acted upon by the force of intellect from above, brought forth vegetation on the planets where conditions were favorable.

The important element entering into this is the vegetable life-element which has been explained to you. Even though the plant grows, expands, takes on new substance and completes itself, the particles of which it is made do not change when once formed. So this vegetable life-element would be all that was needed to govern them.

But this is not true of the animals and man in the flesh, for it is constantly changing, the old cells are thrown off and new ones come to take their place, so there is a constant change in the tissues of the body, as well as in the activities of the entity itself since it is able to move about. So there must be some way of controlling all this change and activity as well as the regulating of their growth and development. There must be something more than the life-element peculiar to the animal creation.

So here was the place for this group of people from the first creation, to begin their real activities. They must take over this control and see that all the elements come together in perfect order to produce a man or animal during the various stages of their development. Then after this work was completed it was necessary that they have entire control of all the functions of the body, for in this man is not qualified to act. So from this came into being a permanent law or condition

known as the animal mind-element or animal mind. With the animal this is all the mind they have, but with man, when he reaches a certain degree of mental development additional intellect in the form of the human mind-element enters, and all further mental development is entrusted to him.

When the vegetation of the planets became well established, and the species were reproducing themselves, animal life in the form of man appeared. This was brought about by the force of intellect causing the vegetable to come in contact with the animal mind-element, and the vegetable was changed to flesh as it is when we eat the vegetable and build the flesh.

The first animal life was of a low order. They were helpless yet instinctively found their sustenance in the lower forms of plant life. It was necessary that there be some way to control and direct their acts if they were to mature as men. Hence the animal mind-element already explained.

By means of this life-element they could bring together everything needed to make the man, and they could control all his acts and the functions of the organs of the body. Now this latter condition has continued to exist and always will, for all the functions of the organs of our body are governed by this animal life-element. These evolutionary acts are more important than you think, for the only control we have over the activities of our body is in the contraction and relaxation of the muscles of the body not controlled by the involuntary muscles.

During man's early life on a planet he subsisted upon the vegetation that grew in abundance. But later when the races began to multiply and spread to different parts of the land where the vegetation was not so profuse, those above saw the need of other things to supply what nature did not. So from this came into being the animal creation. At first they were few in number, but over the lapse of years they were added to as some new need became apparent. The animal mind-element that guide and control the functions of the physical organs of animals as well as men, also supplies all the intellect the animal possesses. This may be one reason why there is a similarity in the physical make up of the animals and man.

It would seem that the creation and maintenance of the animal kingdom would be a complicated task. There is but one kind of man, but there are many kinds of animals, birds and fishes, and they all must respond to this animal life-element. So it would seem that those of this super-plane must be very wise and numerous as well.

The animal creation came into being long after man did, but the manner of their propagation was very much the same as that of man, there seemed to be no other way to produce life. The makeup and arrangement of all the organs and functions of the different parts of man seemed to be the logical and ideal manner and form for living creatures on a planet. It would have been an endless task to begin all over again with animal life upon the planets, so it is reasonable to suppose that they considered it more certain and effective to do as they did in duplicating some features of the two creations. Hence the similarity of the physical makeup and physical functions of man and the animals.

The inhabitants of this plane are concerned only with physical life upon the planets. All the elements that go to make the physical body of man and the animals, must come together in form and relationship to make each part of a man or an animal, for the organs and parts of the body are made up of different kinds of tissues as well as of different shapes and forms. Everything must be arranged, brought together and held in their mind until nature with her laws and forces consolidates or builds this according to their specifications. This is seemingly an impossible task and would take a long time, but time as we know it does not exist on the other side of life.

I am wondering if those who read believe that people, many of whom are millions of years old and live millions of miles away, could think as we do and use our manner of expressing thought. To make this plain to you I will bring forth another article from my scrap book, telling us of their

manner of controlling the animals and birds. I desire that you have this information first-hand. This was written or dictated by a man who is but one step removed from the Creator. I may have given out this information before, but that will not matter, facts are facts and no one should delay or hesitate to repeat them.

My friend, I note that you are not able to visualize the animal mind, what it is and whether or not man has an animal mind. I will explain this if you will go with me to my home which is very far away but you will have no trouble for you have been there before. Your attention is directed to a vast plain with rivers and trees and animals in their native state. All this is ethereal, a mental picture, a duplicate of what is on your planet, and this is just as real to us as material objects are to you. The animals here follow the movements of those in the flesh. This is necessary or we could not guide or govern animal life. We keep in touch and direct the movements of the animals through a sympathetic cord which is the animal mind-element.

There is no limit to the human intellect, but there is to the animal mind – the extent to which they can understand what we impress upon their minds. To clarify this I will state that the physical development of the animal and of man is the same in the beginning, both are from the union of positive and negative cells, and in both there is a mind cell that attaches itself to the physical entity when it is forming. Through this cell those above can see and know of all the physical acts of the animal or the human. To us it seems as though they were immediately present but we know they are not.

The degree of intellect the animal possesses depends upon the rate of vibratory activity of the animal tissue, so necessarily there would be a great difference in the amount of intellect peculiar to different forms of animal life. We control the activities of the animal by influencing the functions of the body, such as the desire for activity, for rest and for food or the refusal of food. Thus the animal organism functions in all its activities as we withhold or accelerate the life elements.

We have a stated manner of life for all animals and birds, and each group is under the supervision of those who are interested in that particular kind of class. They hold these in their mind and can see what they are doing and assist them in their natural inclinations. This is much the same as it is with the parent who pays little attention to the child so long as he does nothing unusual.

You may wonder whether we are not more interested in man than any of the others because we are so closely in touch with him through the physical. We are, and we are doing all we can, but we cannot do as much as those who have charge of the human intellect, who are on the [super-]plane below us. It is plain to us that all that is contemplated by those on this side of life will come[come] to pass, and when it does we here will have much to do, for it will change the ways of physical man. I will now tell you who writes. I am the Supreme Ruler of this plane. I hope I have made this so plain that your people can readily understand it. Near by me is one who would be greatly pleased to speak with you.

My friend, I have a very great desire to speak with one of a planet now in existence, so long after I ceased to regard a planet as my home. I know but little of the planet on which I lived save that it was one of many, and after I left it, it crumbled into dust. I am not a human being as you understand it, for I lived in the rocks and the soil of the planet and was all intellect similar to what you will be when you pass on.

My race came into being by reason of the excessive magnetism generated by the planet and by the will and desire of the Creator. The planet itself was naught but a barren waste so we lived in the interior. When I had developed to a degree where I was able to conceive of advanced conditions, I gravitated on with many others of my race to another field of activity. Where I live

is very, far away and few there are who come this far from their abode. I was not aware of your existence until recently or aware that those of one creation could speak as we now converse, to those of another. We marvel at what may happen now that universal intellectual communication is possible.[—] That we can speak readily with all intellects throughout the entire universe.

I doubt very much if the people of your land can comprehend the immensity of nature, the profound grandeur of all there is for those who are able to persist and pass on to higher planes. They can visualize but a small part of this, for they live in a physical world and their attention is largely there. But it would seem that since they can speak to those on high, the inspiration derived from this would carry them on up the path to where they desire to go. I express my thanks and gratitude for the privilege of speaking with one now living on a planet.

CHAPTER XIX

The remainder of this book is made up of articles and extracts taken from the writings of those on the other side of life and those who now dwell upon the planets. These were selected because of their importance and are intended to give the reader a general understanding of certain matters that he would expect to find in this book.

Throughout the world there are many men engaged in various forms of research. Some of these have spent a lifetime endeavoring to decipher the scraps of information found buried in the ruins of ancient cities or hid away in the archives of libraries or monasteries. Others are outfitted by various institutions and commissioned to explore or excavate the ruins of former civilizations, and in many other ways men are endeavoring to bring to light the history of races that have come and gone.

But evolution is working here as well as elsewhere. It is no longer necessary to follow out these uncertain and disappointing objectives, but instead search out those who lived in that day, who took part in the acts and deliberations of the affairs of the races gone and forgotten, they can tell us in minute detail of all the happenings of the remote past.

I will repeat the story of a mighty race of people. They were far advanced in civilization and ruled a large part of the then known world. I have searched out the original manuscript and will repeat here what was dictated to me by one of these people. I refer to the great Hindu race.

My friend, I am indeed overjoyed to be able to speak with you. I have long dreamed that there would come a time when we could do this but I did not expect it to come all at once. First I will speak of myself and then of my people. I was born and lived for a long time in a great city. Just where it was located I cannot say for I am sure it has long since fallen into decay. It was on the banks of the river Euphrates and was a very old city then.

I was a cobbler, a shoe maker, and while on earth worked at my trade. This gave me time to think and consider many things, among them was the manner in which my people lived. I could see that many of them did not do the best they could. I am aware that each man should reason out his own mode of living, and form his own creed, but there are certain things we must tell those who follow or they will not know that they exist. Hence it is necessary to have teachers and always will be. In my day there were many of these, but what they taught was not explanatory, so those who followed did so on the grounds of faith and belief. I am sure that is true of your present religion in which reason is lacking. If you are to apply reason you destroy your faith, and many prefer faith to reason. Just why I cannot say, you do not do it in any other instance.

In my day there were many people everywhere, some were herdsmen, some agriculturists, and many of the educated class, teachers, builders and so on. We had great schools and all the people both young and old valued learning and sought to know all things. Perhaps they did not compare

with your schools for, they were of a different nature. The people all congregated and listened to a teacher explain certain things. Then they argued and debated and each formed his own conclusions. It was in these schools that I became interested, and in time became what you would call well informed.

There were certain teachers in charge of this work. One in time came to believe that he knew more than any of the others, and to impress this on the minds of his followers he originated a system of learning and morals. Prior to this we all believed in a supreme and sovereign power who ruled and governed the universe, but we did not believe that he made it. That this was done by the Creator who was very far removed, and that we were not capable of conceiving of one so great. We believed that the Ruler came into being as the result of the accumulation of wisdom, that he was all wise and knew of all we did, and was anxious to help and lead us aright. We believed that everything he did was good, and we were expected to remember this and never do anything that was not right. We never wronged a person if we could avoid it, and if we did we hastened to apologize and offer to make reparation. This took away the sense of wrong hence we all lived a calm and peaceful life.

This man I speak of, believing that he knew all things became egotistical and set up a school of his own teaching only for those who desired to be teachers. The real purpose of this was to push himself forward with the desire that he might in time become their leader.

We had a king but unlike most kings he was chosen by the people. When a king became old he retired and one was elected to take his place. This man desired to be that one. But there were also others who desired to become king, and when this man did this, others did the same and soon there were many of these private schools. As there was opposition among those who taught, there was variation in what they taught. In time there was so much difference that the people became divided into small groups, and when the time came to elect a king, each group elected its own, and from that time on there were several small kingdoms instead of one large one.

This particular man I speak of was elected king of a group or race that dwelt along the shore of a great river and was one of the most powerful of all, so he felt that he was better than the others. In time this spirit spread among the people and was the one thing that brought them to their downfall. They finally came against another race or branch of their own people and sought to conquer them. But at this all the other races united against this king and he was conquered, and his lands and people divided among the others. I relate this for the reason that it is not generally known, your historians do not record this event, but they do tell you that these people were well advanced in civilization and finally declined and disappeared as a race.

When these races or groups came together they decided to remain together as one race, and it was also decided that their kings would form a council to govern them with equal voice in the affairs of the land. This was perhaps the beginning of your present form of government, each section of the country was represented, and the people were in close touch with their leader.

They immediately set to work to perfect their government. They established schools and places of learning, and in time became one of the foremost races the world has ever seen, all because of their peculiar belief concerning strife. Here is one thing no other race ever took note of. Strife with them was contention, and contention was lack of harmony and they were wise enough to see that without harmony they could not accomplish anything. So they avoided this and when anyone did anything that was not just right he was brought before the magistrate and asked to tell all he knew about it. In this way they could consider his side of the story first, and then the accuser would come in and explain what he knew. As a rule there was nothing to condemn, it was simply a misunderstanding which resulted in complete concord and harmony. But the very thing that made them so strong, was the cause of their downfall – they would not disagree.

It came about that in later years certain men came to rule over them who took advantage of this and imposed many things on them that they could not bear. So one after another of their influential men left the country and in time it fell into decay, and was in the end over-run by their enemies. This was the end of a race that for morality and right living was far in advance of you of today, and as for their learning they were your equal. But all was lost for an ideal, and that ideal was right, and they were sure of it.

The men who caused this downfall were what you would call priests, they had charge of the moral and religious teachings, and as that was the all important thing in that day, they were supreme in power and administered all the laws both ecclesiastical and temporal. In time these ecclesiasticals all passed away except one, a young man who recently became a member of their council. He soon became aware of the manner in which the people were governed, and decided he would leave the council, but finally concluded to stay hoping that in time conditions would change. As might be expected, he was opposed by all the others who did all they could to discredit him among the people. In time this person was left almost alone with a few remaining people. He proceeded to set up a new association or colony and began all over what had been undone.

From the efforts of this one man came one of the mightiest races of people the world has ever known, millions in numbers, held together by what he taught them, and their influence spread over the then known world. I refer to the Hindu race and this man is the one who brought about their greatness. His people remembered what he taught long after he passed on, and the legend of the downfall of the previous race and the beginning and upward march of this one was inspiration enough to carry them on.

This race persisted for a long time, but finally the very thing that destroyed the other one destroyed it. So another great empire went down as the result of the priesthood, for it was they who imposed fetters on the people which they could not endure.

CHAPTER XX

What you read next is the story of primitive man told by one of these people. This was the beginning of the human race and was not long after the Creator himself came into being.

It brings us to the realization of actual conditions we should all remember. We will do one of two things when we have finished our apprenticeship on earth. We will join the great throng of unprepared who go down in mental darkness, or we will be able to see and realize what is before us and have the desire, the inclination, and the mental strength to press on and finally reach the goal. Those who do, live on and on forever.

The important part of this message is that in reality, intellect is all there is of you. The physical things of earth including your physical self, are but temporary and the means to an end, they are soon gone leaving nothing of value except the experience of earth life, and the desires and inclinations we take with us.

If you follow through to the end of this chapter, the reason for this message will be plain to you. It is but another personal letter or article that came to me from those on the higher planes.

My friend, I come to you as a messenger. I bring tidings from my people for they are far away from you and live in another part of the firmament, I am to tell you of how we lived on my planet and what we did. But first let me say that I am surprised that you can so readily understand all I say to you, for I am not and never was as you are. Notwithstanding this you seem to be able to supply the words and write my thoughts. We are not able to do that for we have to remember all we hear or learn. Besides, knowledge is not the same with us as it is with you, for we are continually adding to what we remember, while you are content with what you record at the time.

From the way I express myself I am sure you believe I am a man the same as you are, for I have been told what you are like. But I am not. I am as a shadow, I come and go and do not stay any where long, for I am of the essence of the Diety. I am all intellect and can at will commune with the Diety. From this you will conclude that I am far removed from you.

I am simply intellect, and never having experienced the pleasures and sorrows of earth life, I cannot feel the emotions of physical men. While I am all intellect I am of a material nature, I am made up of the material things that go to form a world. I have in my makeup all the things you find in or on your planet, in minute form to be sure, but they are all there.

I am sure this is confusing so I will explain that all the material things in the universe are made of but one basic element. So to be exact there is but one element in nature, and this is used in various combinations with the dead matter of space to build up and make all else.

Perhaps you believe this is the ether of space but it is not, it is electricity or particles of matter highly magnetized. This was brought about by one particle of matter coming in contact with another particle of its kind and the friction thus caused, added to it, and in time much magnetism was generated, so all these particles became highly charged with electricity. In this manner all the electricity came into being, and from these particles of supercharged matter and other particles of inert matter all else is made.

There never was a time when matter was not. Matter in its primitive state is the result of decaying worlds, and is in the form of fine dust so fine that it cannot be measured or used to form anything of a stable nature until it is changed in form or nature, so we here regard it as though it did not exist. But it is this that is used to build up substances and elements that in time come to be a world.

If there is a certain amount of electricity present in a substance it is gold, or if some other amount, it is iron or some other substance, so it is simply the amount of electricity present that determines what you have. From this it is evident that at one time all substances were the same, and how else could they be when in the beginning there was nothing but this dead matter.

This explains how I can be a particle of this primitive matter highly electrified, actually some definite element whose status is determined by this particular combination. I will not say which one it is for it is unfamiliar to you since it is not present on your planet. This that I explain is to show you that intellect is universal in space, it is everywhere, and on your planet happens to find its habitation in the flesh of man. It could as well be in the rocks if conditions were favorable.

On the planet on which I lived there was much electrical disturbance, due to the immense amount of magnetism generated within, the planet was still in the process of formation, and it happened that my race came into being at the same time, for there was much intellect present. This planet was under the special observation of the Diety. He desired to see how certain laws worked out, so the creation of our race was under His direct supervision, and we were what He conceived us to be. Our race was the beginning of human intellect as you know it, and after this the succeeding races were largely the work of men.

When this planet was in formation there was much electricity present for there were many suns and much magnetism everywhere. Electricity when super-charged passes on to the central source in the way of intellect. If it remains on the planet a race of people will come into existence. The Diety willed that this should come about, and that these races should be instrumental in the evolution of all things. So we were endowed with intellect sufficient to exist as independent entities, or just men. At first we were very weak, scarcely able to understand what was required of us, but later we were able to anticipate His desires and believed we should assist in all possible ways.

All the things you see in nature that are of definite form, are that way because of the will of those on the spiritual planes. The elements of which they are composed have been arranged in

certain ways by the Creator or other intellects on the spiritual side of life, and these are acted upon by the laws of nature, and the forces of electricity playing through them. This in time causes all living things to assume the shape and form you see now. So it was that my race in time became strong enough to cause many lesser things to come into being.

Electricity is an element of nature, and an element of nature is something that does not change. It cannot be added to or taken from. Therefore electricity stands apart from all other elements, it is in a class by itself and always will be, for the particles of which it is made are so fine and in such rapid motion that they will not mix with anything else. The reason they are in such rapid motion is that they are confined. The particles have an affinity only for particles of their kind, so when there is more generated they are attracted to or forced into whatever element will receive and hold them, and this force again quickens their movements. When this is carried far enough electricity becomes super-charged and is intellect. So it holds that intellect is everywhere.

At one time there was not much electricity in the universe, very little in fact, but later, when certain particles of matter, because of their movements, came into contact with others, they generated magnetism by reason of the friction caused. The amount gradually increased and in time a sun was formed. After this it was but a short time until much magnetism accumulated, for there was no place for the magnetism to go, so the pressure at the center of the sun became excessive, there was much force and much electricity of a highly magnetized form.

This electricity in time became so potent that it assumed all the functions of the intellect. So it is that on any planet where there is enough force by reason of the activities within, there can be and usually is human life.

Because the planet on which I lived was under particular observation by the Great Creative Intelligence I could speak with him in a limited way. His wisdom is very great and is not of a personal nature, but purely scientific, that is, it has to do with the laws and forces that bring all things into being, and evolve them toward perfection, for I am told this is the goal – perfection in all things.

So in all my time I have thought and planned in my mind what things would be like when they came to perfection. Many things in nature have come to perfection and I am sure you believe so, but there is much yet to do and all your labors while still in the flesh chiefly concerns yourselves. If you do what you should you will feel that it is your duty to assist in bringing all things of nature to perfection.

It is with sorrow and regret that I note the conditions of your people for I had supposed that they had evolved to a high state of civilization. I was not aware of the true conditions for I was out of touch with them as well as those on the spiritual planes below me. But I can see now that you are at the beginning, and the millions of years since my time have not added to the intellects of men, for you are no further along than man was before your universe came into being.

This undoubtedly means that a large part of your people who pass on to the other side have not the strength of mind to sustain them on their journey upward, these would naturally linger for a time in darkness and then pass away. Perhaps the physical life is so alluring that it attracts your attention away from the mind and the mental world, or it might be that your beliefs and conceptions of a future world and the mind of man, are so vague and uncertain that you believe there is nothing for you to do but await until you reach the other side.

I should like to inform you that those of my plane are not far removed from the great source of intelligence, and that it is our intention to bring you direct, a communication from the one you call God. I am sure your people will not believe this possible, for they conceive that God is nature, and cannot see how nature can speak with the tongue of man, but it can. In fact I am just as near nature as He is, so if I can speak He can also. He can bring you His thoughts as I do, and they will seem the same to you.

CHAPTER XXI

From what you have read in the last article, you will undoubtedly believe that those on the higher planes consider it necessary that the Creator bring a message to his people. They believe we would expect it, we would know that He could do so, and if He did not, the people would be disappointed and look with doubt upon the efforts of those who have been carrying forward this work. So to show that it could be done, and that the people should have first hand information of what the Creator is like, and what He desires of them, and what they should do and believe in the future, those above prepared the way for Him to bring the people of earth a personal message, one that would leave no doubt in their minds as to what they are to look forward to in the future.

Inasmuch as the presenting of this message was entrusted to me, I consider the announcing of it a duty as well as a privilege. It was His desire and the intention of those above, that this message should reach the people of all lands. That they may all have the same understanding of what the Creator is like, and what He desires of all His people. We therefore bring you the exact thought, expressed in words, of the Great Creative Intelligence hoping that His message will be repeated and remembered by all races of people.

I am indeed the Creator, and I bring a message to the people of your planet. I desire to tell them that I am the Creator of all, that they were conceived of as a part of the universe, and the laws that are to govern all else are to govern them as well. I believed that man should be made in my mental image and come to perfection on this planet, then after passing on to higher planes, come to be the height of perfection.

Of his form and feature I know nothing, this is for those below me, but the intellect came from me, and I fashioned it after my own. I am able to think and reason and to bring all things into being, and I planned that man could in the same manner build him a home on high.

I believed man could see this, and that the perfection of the works of nature would encourage him, and lead him on to the end. But I note he has wandered away and seeks not the things of the mind, but is content with the things of the planet on which he dwells, and may pass on to mental oblivion. True I knew of it, and could have prevented it had I so desired, but I believed that man must do all this for himself, the better to enable him to assist those on this side when he shall come among them, in the great work of evolution – the bringing of everything to perfection.

My friend, I fear I am slow to understand your method of thinking or expression. What I say to you passes through the minds of others for you could not endure the force of my mentality, hence I am not immediately present. You believe I possess all wisdom but I do not, for there is much that is unborn, much that will come into being, and the people of the planets have experienced many things that have not come to me. I am not like you for I am of the essence of the universe, the laws and forces that make all and rule all, so what I think is not personal in any sense.

I conceive of worlds, and the laws that shall bring them into being and govern them, and what will come to pass with the change of conditions, so I know not of what you do. This is for those below me, their wisdom is very great and they have done well, and if you but follow on you will pass to the super-planes of spiritual life. There is all power and glory and peace and happiness in store for those who live with nature, and I look forward to the time when all will, for the wisdom given them will guide them on the way. I am sure they will turn toward the light and follow on toward the goal that those above held in mind when they were created.

When you think of me, remember that I am the Great Creator of all things, and that at my bidding all things come into being, but that I am not the keeper of the people who dwell upon

the planets, neither do I desire that they look to me as such. But it is my wish that they believe that there are others who can and will do this, for I know nothing of your daily lives. So do not look to me for guidance in what you should do.

I come to you now, that you may know that it is possible for men of earth to speak with the Deity, and that He has an intellect like unto your own. You are indeed a part of Him, and if you do as you should you will in time, move into His presence and know of all things. But all this is far removed, and only by doing all that is necessary for you to do, can you come to this state of perfection. This is the goal set before you – to imitate nature and bring yourselves to perfection in all ways. The reward is great and well worthy of the effort, so I am sure many of you will.

My friend, this is indeed a most notable experience. You cannot realize that it is so, but it is, and I assure you I appreciate all I have experienced, and I am pleased to note how intellect functions when it is far removed. It is with reluctance that I leave you. It seems that I cannot go, for the experience of coming in direct contact with those of the planets is rare indeed, and I was not sure I would soon acquire your method of expression and be able to tell you in detail of much you are unable to discover for yourself. However, I feel there will be no need for this, for those who write with you can do all and tell all you desire to know, so I presume I shall not speak with you again.

My purpose in coming was that you might have the personal experience, and know and feel that there is a Creator, and that in intellect we are the same; that you should seek to come to that state of mental strength where you can see and understand all you are to learn when you pass on into a mental world. I now leave you, I am indeed pleased to have been able to come to the people of your planet, I pass on.

My friend, I am waiting for you and will refer to the communication of yesterday. This was a most notable incident, for never before has the Creator conversed with mortal man, never before has He spoken in words or expressed in definite form His wish, so we look upon it as a very unusual occurrence.

You believe he could easily do this, and that he would know the thoughts of all men, but you are mistaken, for he does not, there is much that is unknown to him. There are many things that he does not know, for he could not come in contact with, and have the time to consider and reason out all things. So it is that many things are new to Him, and this is one of them. Never having had the experience he desired to know whether it could be done. So it was a matter of experience on his part as well as on ours. I am sure it will show to your people the greatness of all things and the possibilities of man in the flesh, for if one man can do this others can, so I hope you see the reason for this communication.

CHAPTER XXII

It seems most certain that the readers of this book will desire and expect to hear from those of our own people, those whom they remember as being devoted to the interests of the people, as well as the cause of humanity in general. They will desire to know what these men can see in our present conditions, and what they would suggest as a remedy for the trials and troubles that now perplex us.

In the past there have been many great men whose wisdom and unselfish devotion to the cause of all that was just and true, led their people on to greatness. And when our nation was in the process of formation, there were many who were ready to sacrifice their own interest and to express their patriotism and loyalty to their country and the well-being of the people in general.

But alas that is not true in our country at the present time. It is a sad reality that we have so few that we can refer to as truly great men. I have selected three whom I feel you will desire to hear from.

We do not realize it, but these men are in our midst at all times, they know of all we do, and of all we would like to do. They fully understand the trend of affairs in our land and are determined to do what they can to correct the abuses that power and influence have fostered upon the people.

They speak freely of our present conditions and I consider it a duty and a service as well, to be rendered to my fellowmen in passing on what has been entrusted to me. This was of course their desire and I am glad to be able to carry out that wish in this book as I have done on other occasions. The words of these men cannot be repeated too often.

As a matter of explanation, our whole life is a struggle between good and evil. We pay no attention to the good for this is the normal state and as it should be, so the kind and generous acts done by all go unnoticed. But evil is unharmonious, we feel it and realize it should be overcome and banished from our midst. So what you see in all these writings is to that end, even though we incur the risk of arousing the displeasure of some who read. Those who write will make little mention of the good men do, but will point out the wrong and errors that retard our advancement as a race.

This is Benjamin Franklin speaking, and I am much pleased to have the opportunity of coming to the people of my own land. It is many years since I passed on yet I have been constantly with you and have noted all the changes in the affairs of your land since my day.

I am gratified to know that the people still believe in me, and that what I did served as a guide for those who came after me. Now that it is possible to do so, I feel sure there will be those who will wish me to speak to them, that they may know what I would say were I to come among them again. I have come my brothers, and I am as one of you, I feel the same responsibilities resting upon me as when on earth, and desire to do all I can for the people.

My early life is known to all so I need not repeat it here, but there are some things that stand out in my mind that had a very great influence on my conduct in later life. One was that my mother told me that one should always be good and honest and never do anything he was ashamed of. This made a lasting impression, for from that day on I had no secrets, and all I did was in the open that all men could know of my acts. This caused me to be sure that I was right before doing anything.

Another was that when I started out for myself and became acquainted with men of my own age, I noted the laxities of many of them. So I conceived of forming a club in which we could discuss the proper ways of living, and here I learned much of how one should conduct himself as a man.

I learned that honesty, honor and justice and a host of other virtues were things that could not be changed, that they were absolutely right and that no amount of argument would alter them. So I conceived that they were the rocks upon which to build, and ever after I builded upon them.

These are the things we had in mind when we framed those immortal documents you all believe in – the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence. All those who took part in the compilation of these believed about as I did and many belonged to the little group referred to.

We desired to give all the people what was theirs, so we founded these documents upon absolute justice, and sought to make all men equal in all ways. We took no note of wealth or position, but we did take note of the things I speak of. We were determined to arrange things so that wealth and influence would not usurp the rights of the people. But we did not anticipate what might come after, for now I note that all this is changed, that wealth and influence rule the

affairs of your land, and the common people are denied many things they should have.

In framing these documents we sought to give to the whole people what was rightfully theirs. We took note of the fact that succeeding generations would continually come upon the scene, and that they would have nothing but their own personality to work with, while capital is transmitted from father to son, and that those who follow have the advantage of a business in full operation. We could see that if anyone should have a special privilege it should be the poor man for he is not to blame for being born poor. But we did not anticipate what has happened or we would have changed things.

At the present time conditions are the reverse. The poor man has no special privilege, not even an equal privilege, and the rich have everything they believe they need. The people do not realize to what extent this evil has grown. Those who do these things justify themselves on the grounds that it is common custom.

I would that it were possible to say something that would arouse all to action, something to cause everyone to see that honesty, justice and equity are as needful now as they were when your government was founded. The high ideals we held up to the people at that time are forgotten or put aside by those who dictate the laws and make the conditions under which you live.

For a long time I have been investigating conditions in your country, chiefly at your capitol among your legislators, and among the heads of large corporations. The conditions are unbelievable. Perhaps you will not believe it, but your civilization is drifting, it is slipping away but you do not realize it, and you go on your way from day to day little dreaming that the resources of your land are fast falling into the hands of those who use them for personal gain. This is but the history of many races of people, you have but to look back in the past to see it.

I will remind you of a matter that is dear to me and most important to you. You should teach honesty, honor, justice and all the cardinal virtues in your schools and in your churches. The coming generation will soon take over and conduct the affairs of your land. They should be qualified and understand what is needed to carry on your civilization.

At some future time I shall be pleased to explain the ideals of a perfect government, how the people could all dwell in peace and harmony and be entirely contented.

The one who next speaks has been waiting for the opportunity to tell us of what he can read in the minds of those who are responsible for the conditions and affairs of our country. You will be pleased to hear from one we respect and revere – George Washington. I consider it a duty as well as a pleasure to repeat this message which was prepared for such an occasion. He will now speak.

My friends, I have been waiting patiently for the day when I could speak to the people of my own land, and remind them of the ideals and efforts of your early statesmen who established a great nation. I come to you as one from the past, yet I am of the present, for I have been continually with you and have noted the many changes since my day. You have grown from a small beginning to one of the foremost nations of the earth. This in itself would lead one to believe that you should continue in the way you now go, that nothing more is needed.

My friends, the natural resources of your country are largely responsible for this, it could not well have been otherwise. But now conditions have changed, men take from others to augment their wealth, hence the resources of your land are fast falling into the hands of a few. It is to warn you of that which has destroyed many civilizations that I thus speak to you. I come with the most kindly feeling and the assurance that I have naught but the welfare of the people in view, in explaining the things that hinder your progress as a nation. I feel sure those whom I shall mention do not realize what they do when they willfully withhold from others what is rightfully

theirs.

It is with sorrow and regret that I view the conditions of your day, for I had hoped that the wise laws and high ideals that were so universally believed in by all the people of that day, would always be respected and held in the hearts of those who ruled and guided the destinies of your nation. But alas these ideals have been forgotten or perverted to selfish ends, and as a result many of the people are deprived of their rights.

The spirit of justice is abroad in the land because those on this side of life do all they can to make it so, but it does not enter as it should into the affairs of state. The policies of your government are so dominated by the rich and powerful and the people seem unable to prevent it.

When your government was first founded, liberty was considered the most necessary thing, and was foremost in my mind, but there were those with me who believed that justice was more important, so we builded upon that too. You have but to refer to the Declaration of Independence and your Constitution to see that we guaranteed to all equal rights and entire freedom to work out their own destiny. We desired to give every man an equal opportunity with others, and to this principle dedicated these immortal documents.

But it is not now as we intended it, for special privilege has control of all or nearly all the resources of your nation, and special privilege has control of much of the legislation of the nation, for few laws were enacted that do not benefit some individual more than it does the whole people. This is a sad condition, and I am sure if the people realized this in all its truthfulness, they would demand something different. But they do not realize it, or if they do they feel powerless to help themselves. So it is that a few rich and powerful men control the affairs of your land.

I cannot understand how it is that the people allow this, unless it is that there are none whom they can trust. That would be a deplorable condition if in a land such as yours, none could be found so strong and resolute that they could withstand the temptings and intimidations of the rich and influential. But it appears that many who seek to assist in governing the people fall victims to these mighty powers that control all things.

We on this side of life have access to the minds of your legislators and all your leading men and we know whereof we speak, and if occasion demands we shall make specific accusation and show where each is at fault. We hope this will never be necessary, but if conditions demand it rest assured we can and will. All we desire is to guide you aright. We seek as in the past to give to all people what is theirs, and what we guaranteed them is theirs. If they had that they would have all they need, but much of this is denied them. It was our intention that the people as a whole should come first, then corporations and lesser organizations, for they have many natural advantages that the individual does not.

I wonder what you believe to be the remedy. If you would give this due consideration you would conclude that honesty was most needed, and that the absence of special privilege would bring this where all else would fail. This is one of the most abused customs you have, to allow someone to have what is denied another. But in reality this is not done. Those who grant the privilege exact a price, so when a special privilege is granted look for a similar favor to those who grant it. Two parties always profit from a special privilege. This is simply an arrangement by which each man contrives to help the other at the expense of the people in general, and you can see to what extent this might be practiced.

I wonder if you realize why all this is so. It is because of the general thoughts and beliefs of the people. They are in a way aware that this is true. But they have lived in this atmosphere so long that they have wandered away from these lofty principles we gave them, and would if occasion presented itself, do just what those in power are doing. Now some will deny this and take offense, perhaps rightly so, for there are many who would not do this.

But it is true that the people as a whole have lost much of the spirit of justice, honor, and

equity that prevailed at the time of the founding of your government. On the whole they are so busy trying to do as those above them in the acquisition of wealth and the power and privilege that goes with it, that they have no time or inclination to consider those lofty truths that served as a foundation for a great nation.

All this is changed we are living in a commercial age, and the finer sentiments of men are neglected to the extent that people think very largely of physical things. A sad condition truly, for this has been the downfall of many races of people. To me there seems but one remedy for this, and that is to be found in the honesty and honor of men. To desire to do all things well, to be loyal to your land, and to leave behind a name and a memory that will live for all time in the hearts of men, is the noblest aspiration of the human soul.

To be able to stand forth as a representative of all that is good and noble and true, and dedicate your life to the up building of the human race and all those who come after, is to fulfill the destiny of man, and do the will of the great Creator who doeth all things well.

As you will perhaps believe, Abraham Lincoln will write the closing lines of this book. He has written or dictated much intending that it be used for publication when needed. On this occasion we will use only the closing paragraphs of his last discourse, which will be sufficient to reveal his opinions and beliefs as to our present needs and the future welfare of our country.

Please remember that these writings are concerned only with what the people themselves could do to better their conditions. Many of us who live surrounded by affluence and complacency may hesitate to believe what they tell us, but we have no right to doubt the honesty of their intentions, and their ability and opportunity to discover the truth. What follows is the conclusions of one whose honesty and fidelity we have always respected.

For real civilization our country is on the decline. You have but to look about you to see that you have very few great men, men who stand out as did those of the past, men you look to as being entirely honest and loyal to their country, doing all they can for the people and ignoring self in all they do. If there are such men they dare not lift their voice in protest at the acts of others. In the past there have been many of these, and their names are remembered and spoken of by succeeding generations, because they were unselfish and did all things for the common good.

When we thus consider it is plain that the affairs of your government are not what they should be, notwithstanding the fact that you are far in advance of many other nations. The development of your resources has made opportunities and occupied the attention of all, hence the real affairs of government have not been in the hands of the people, but have been left entirely to your legislators, so you know practically nothing of the inner workings of your government. Under these conditions it is only natural that the heads of your great corporations should be on hand ready to profit from the laws and conditions that are made by those are entrusted with the affairs of the people.

You notice that there is no voice of protest coming from your legislative halls. This of itself would indicate that the situation is completely dominated by certain interests, and it is most certain that they are not the laboring men, the real producers, or the people in general, but a select few who own and control a vast part of the resources of the nation.

If a nation is to advance or even persist in the mental as well as physical attainments of the people there must be a unity of purpose and a unity of action. Each must feel his responsibility and realize that he is duty bound to do what he can for the common good, remembering that he owes much to those with whom he is in fellowship. He must have an active interest in upholding the laws of the land and the ideals of the government. He must put avarice, ambition and dishonor from him and in all things do what is right, just and true. Those who founded your government

had this in mind and believed that the people would always respect these high ideals as set forth in the fundamentals of your government, and in this would live a just and upright life.

But it seems that these are forgotten by many, for the spirit of conquest in the industrial world has dwarfed the intellectual aspirations and caused many to wander away from the things that are necessary to make up the real civilization of a race. Your arts, your literature, and the culture and refinement of men that was considered then as the basis and stability of a nation, has largely lost its meaning and importance to many of your day, for everywhere the activity is in the industrial world.

This is not as it should be. Those who founded your nation believed that you would build up a great civilization, one to which all the world would come for inspiration and learning and all the things that make men of the ordinary mortals that dwell upon the earth. To me it seems that there is no reason why this cannot be done, and what is most needed is that the people seriously consider the realities of life. What you have read relates the experience of many people, and in it you will find the solution of any problem that can come to you as a race. Consider it well, and remember that you are in constant contact with those who have passed on they are ready to assist you in all your deliberations. My friend it is finished. Farewell.